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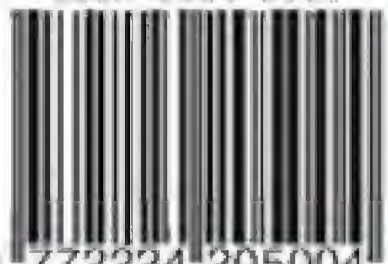
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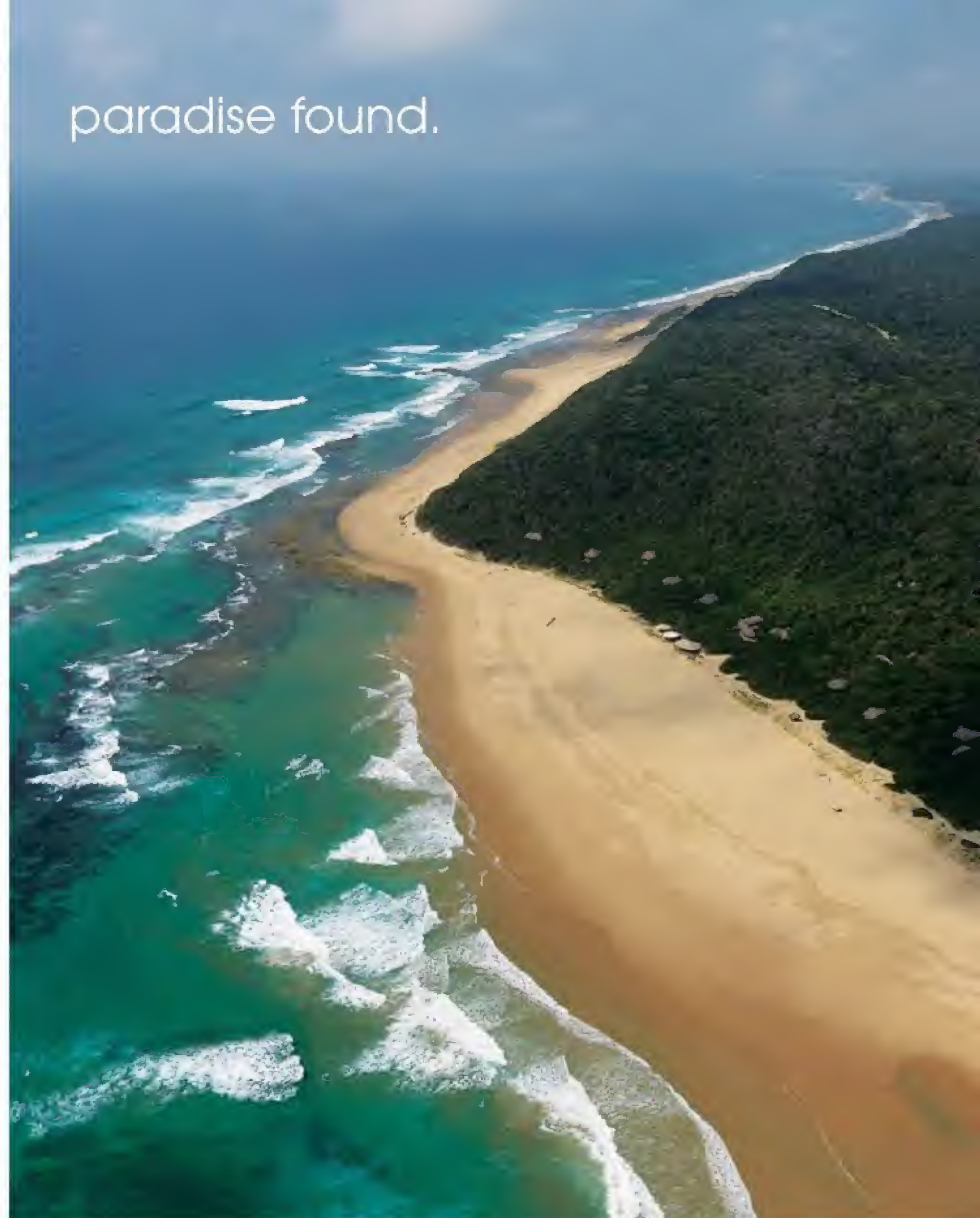
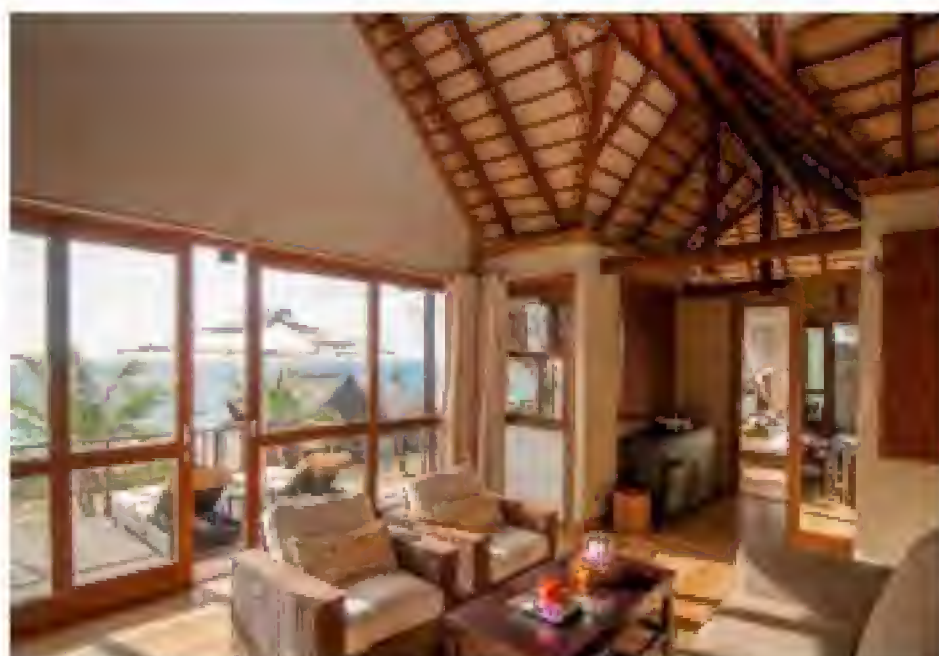


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Beach Weddings in this unique setting is an ideal beginning of a perfect marriage; one where your honeymoon begins the moment you say "I do."

Various beach games, kayaking, table tennis and pool table are available at the beach bar. Snorkelling and rock-fishing are available nearby.

In season, you can even view whales frolicking from your own deck whilst sipping exotic cocktails. Later, the night sky lights up and you feel like reaching out to catch the falling stars.

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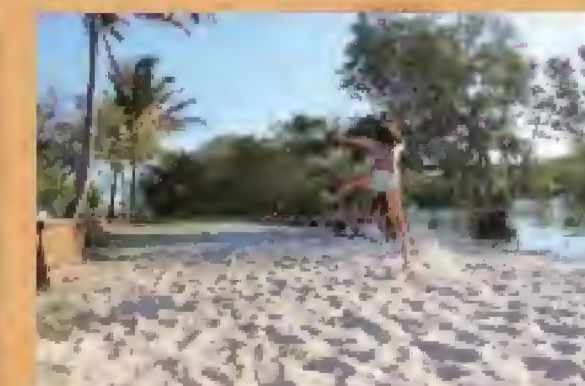
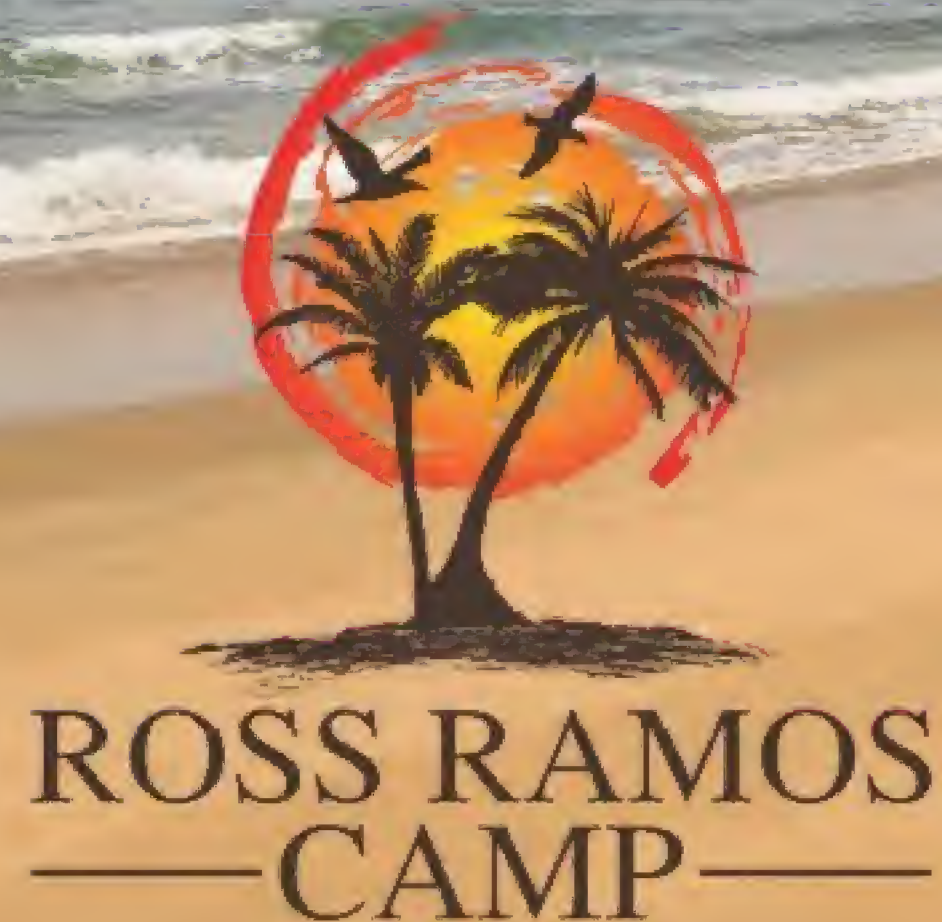


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HUNTERS OF THE DEEP-SEA

# AUSSIE CHAMP TAMES AFRICA

Most people like at least one of Elvis, Johnny Cash, The Beatles or The Stones. The late Rock god Bowie also ranks high. For a die-hard Led Zeppelin fan like myself, there's only one sound that can beat even the best of the legends. That is the "tsk-zeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee" ring of the reel once a big fish has taken the bait. By Charl Du Plessis

I cut my teeth on Led Zeppelin as a 14-year old in boarding school, where an odd senior nicknamed 'Screw', was in charge of the sound system and started every evening study break with the rock anthem, Whole Lotta Love. It was years later that I first got to hear the magic sound of a big Shimano reel whistling its tune off the Mauritius shore.

We were warned that it was winter, and fish rather scarce, but when by four in the afternoon and with land in sight, I finally got the chance to fight a bonita for all of three minutes, I was hooked. The skipper, however, did rain on my snapshot parade when he

asked me pan-faced whether I would mind if he used my fish for bait! I made good years later off Mahe, ending a good day's fishing with my bare feet in the five-star hotel's sand and inviting friends to enjoy the yellow-fin tuna sushi and grilled dorado till way past midnight.

What I mostly recall from that first Mauritius trip was the smell of fumes and the audible lulling drone of the engines. So, when our crew at Boating World recently delivered a Riviera 45ft yacht in the Seychelles and mentioned the underwater exhaust system, I got very curious about this Australian beast. The fact that Derrick



Levy, the South African waterskiing and yachting legend behind Boating World was sending whatsapp's showing Riviera 63ft and 76ft models lying with full tackle at the ready in the same area piqued my interest even more. This is not Australia, and as they say: "Afrika is nie vir sussies nie." Why was the Riviera becoming so popular across the African continent?

Speaking to Derrick, the sole agent for Riviera in Africa, he explained that "the 35 year old Australian Riviera brand is one of the most awarded yachts in its category world-wide, and has forged alliances with many of the world's biggest names in boating to produce a range of world class products. They include organisations such as Cummins, Caterpillar and Volvo Penta. Riviera has in the past commissioned designers such as world-renowned

Dutch naval architect Frank Mulder, who has contributed powerful new running surface designs to many of their models, resulting in yachts that are not only in a class of its own, but that are also showing that they have the right stuff to operate along the African coast."

For the discerning sports fisherman who did his homework, the Riviera has become an automatic choice. Not only is it a quality yacht, but the on-going after-sales support from one of the most experienced outfits in the yachting industry makes it a no-brainer. What adds to the allure is an ultra-luxurious cruiser character that allows family members to join the boys and their toys without feeling that they miss any home comfort. In fact, the Open Flybridge Series II delivered to the Seychelles





is described as a yacht that has it all. Decades of innovation has fashioned a yacht that offers an extraordinary combination of comfort, performance, reliability, safety and value.

Overhead is an electronically operated space for rod storage, while the finish on the timberwork throughout the saloon and accommodation deck is both impeccable and astonishingly durable. Safety considerations abound, with big fish landing on-board at the back of the designers' minds all the time. Note how the fly-bridge hinges up to allow for space when most needed.

A trip out at sea requires good storage for bait and catch alike, and the Riviera will not be found lacking at all. An optional live bait tank can be built into the transom, and there are removable bins in the floor.

Doing double duty as a day cruiser, the Flybridge lounge area comfortably hosts 6 adults and one bunk can fold out as a day bed. There is space for the optional fridge, while the sink, wet-bar and other party features come standard.

The classic helm sits high with full visibility and the ergonomics of the console design are outstanding. This includes top-mounted, twin-lever electronic engine control units and a choice of different

formats to suit the electronic display options. The helm seat is ultra-luxurious, made for a long day of play.

When day-cruising, the saloon becomes a stylish living space, with sound systems, television and plenty of comfortable head room. The U-shaped galley hosts all the appliances necessary for a long-range cruise.

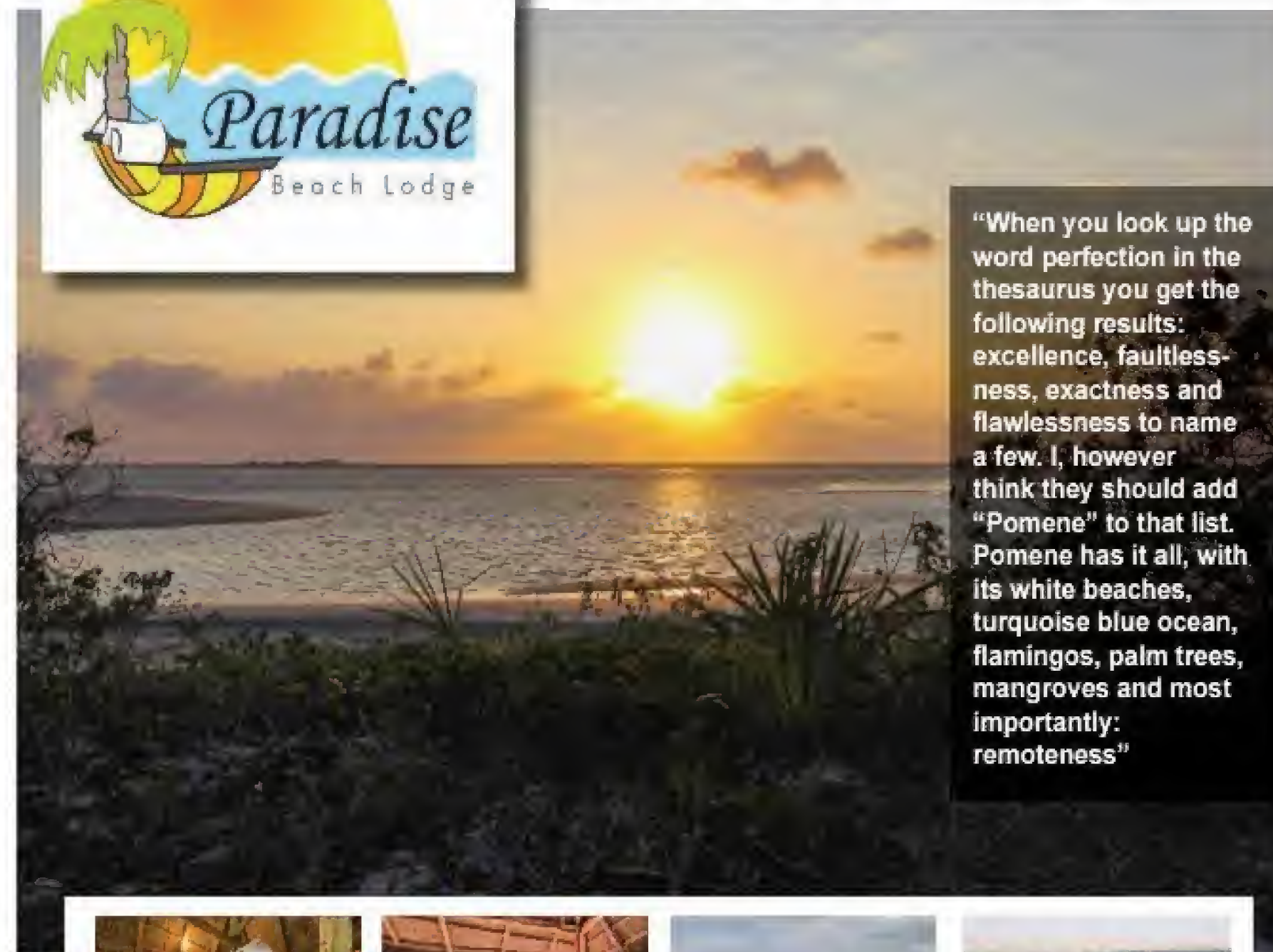
Below decks, the Riviera 45's master stateroom is en suite and has many fine luxuries and a beautiful timber finish. Two further guest staterooms are available, and share the guest bathroom to be available for day visitors too.

Derrick flew back into Cape Town a week later, with one very satisfied Riviera owner to add to the long list of Boating World clients and friends scattered all along the African coast-line. But it will not be the last trip North, as Derrick knows that somewhere, off the coast of Mozambique, there is a huge sailfish waiting for a Riviera owner's name on its tag. Sorry guys, mountain biking is not the new golf. Deep-sea fishing – nou praat jy!

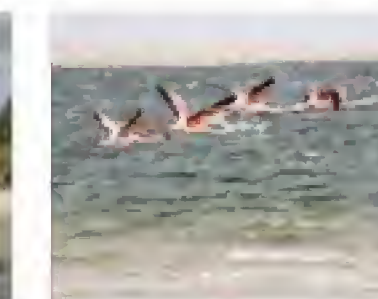
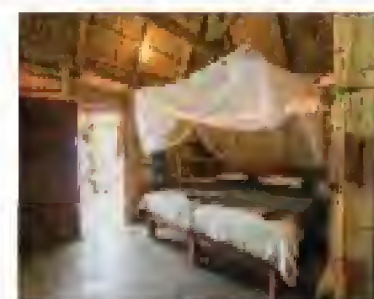
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"When you look up the word perfection in the thesaurus you get the following results: excellence, faultlessness, exactness and flawlessness to name a few. I, however think they should add "Pomene" to that list. Pomene has it all, with its white beaches, turquoise blue ocean, flamingos, palm trees, mangroves and most importantly: remoteness"



From the time you reach Pomene Ridge when you look over you see "Paradise Beach Lodge" which caters for water sport enthusiasts in all spheres, beach lovers, bird watchers or just holiday makers looking for tranquillity. It has the ideal setting as it is situated directly on the waters edge, one enjoys the most magnificent sunrises from ones own unit situated on the estuary edge looking out past to sea and the bonus has to be for the fisherman who only launches his boat the day he arrives and only takes it out the day he leaves.

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# DUGONG

## Beach Lodge

Situated along the Southern Mozambique Coast within 30 000 hectares of pristine Marine and wildlife territory in the Vilanculos Coastal Wildlife Sanctuary, Dugong Beach Lodge combines two biospheres which make for a unique wilderness and beach experience.

There are certain places in the world that once visited, leave an indelible mark in your memory, forever. Dugong Beach Lodge is one of those places, crystal clear waters, white sandy beaches and a fauna and flora in full splendour. Dugong Beach lodge is the true epitome of nature's beauty. The Lodge is situated on the East Coast of Mozambique within the boundaries of 30 000 hectares of the Vilanculos Coastal & Wildlife Sanctuary. The Lodge is set in spectacular surroundings as it holds the best of both worlds: a marine World Heritage Site at the front of the lodge and African bushveld in the rear, with wildlife roaming freely.

The lodge is named after the Atlantic Dugong which is nearly

extinct and forms part of the National Park in Mozambique. This destination is one of the few places in the world where you could, have the privilege to see these gracious sea animals. The ocean surrounding Dugong Beach Lodge is filled with a variety of sea creatures such as angelfish, sailfish, manta ray and the Great Leatherback turtle to name but a few. Within the wildlife sanctuary guests have the opportunity to see giraffes, nyalas, plain zebras, steenboks blue wildebeests and Livingstone's eland. The sanctuary is also home to a wide 180 bird species, 45 species of reptiles and a diverse amount of plant types.

The first thing you notice as you disembark from your boat transfer to the lodge is the long jetty leading to the lodge, with its inter-flowing swimming pool and island-style bar on the large deck.





The accommodation itself at Dugong Beach Lodge is absolutely luxurious and not only in the natural wonders has it to offer, but also in its charming architectural structure. There are fourteen charismatic opulent chalets, meticulously furnished with only the latest modern equipment. Each chalet has an air-conditioning system, ceiling fan, mini bar, mini safe, a private deck furnished with daybeds and a secluded canopy for more intimacy. These chalets also have their own walkways that lead to the beach... Moreover, all rooms contain double beds or two single beds equipped with a mosquito net, luxurious en-suite bathrooms, outdoor shower and a spectacular view of the ocean. Two of these outstandingly beautiful chalets even have a private plunge pool, adding to the serene experience of this island-style getaway. There are other facilities at the lodge such as an open-air lounge where guests can comfortably relax, enjoy a drink or two, view the landscape, watch television or read a book from the library.

It is quite simple to understand why there's flock here! Dugong Beach Lodge is the ideal place for the romantic; the adventurer; family vacation to form stronger ties and of course the corporate traveller seeking a tropical sanctuary in which to hide away and unwind. However, Dugong Beach Lodge is much more than your average beach holiday experience. Guests can enjoy ocean safaris, adrenaline-filling windsurfing or kayaking, cruising, fishing peacefully; exciting excursions; crab hunting; dhow cruises; island hopping or even enticing nature drives and walks. The cuisine in this secluded piece of paradise also never ceases to amaze with A la Carte or buffet style dining with different dining experiences to choose from. This secluded corner of sub-tropical Africa is one of the few remaining unspoiled areas along this amazing stretch of Mozambican coast. It truly is a tropical retreat like no other.



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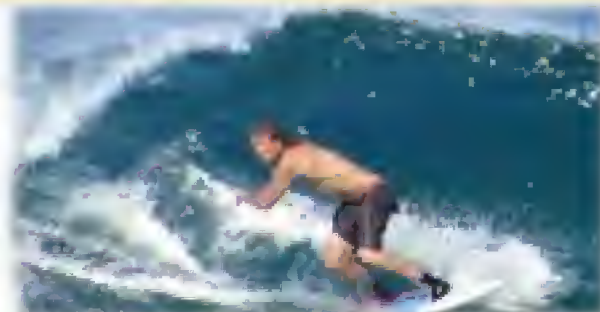
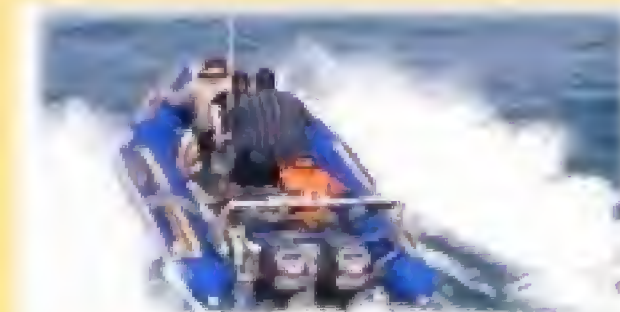
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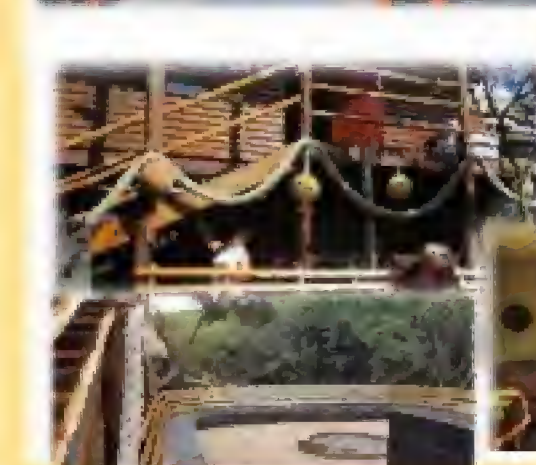
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# mozambique

*Know before you go...*

## Compulsory:

- \* Passport (Must be valid for at least 30 days and have 2 empty pages. Non-SA Residents-visas required (can get at the border)
- \* Car registration & ownership documents-if vehicle is still under finance you must get a letter of permission to cross the border.
- \* Letter from your insurer confirming cross-border insurance.
- \* Temporary import permit (can get at the border)
- \* SA driver's license allowed, others require an International driver's license.



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Fire extinguisher-always a good thing. Mount securely.

## Other Q&A:

**How much meat are we allowed to take over?**

R1 400 per person. Try to vacuum pack beforehand and make sure to keep your till slips!

**How many beers and spirits can we take over the border?**

Unfortunately no beer is allowed across border but don't worry the Moz beer is excellent! 2m and Laurentina being the most popular. 1 litre of spirits and 2.25 litres of wine per adult.

**Do you have to declare cameras? laptops etc?**

Preferably all valuables yes.

**Tobacco Products (Per Adult)**

200 cigarettes OR 100 cigarillos OR 50 cigars OR 250g of tobacco.

**Pharmaceutical Products**

Quantity considered reasonable for personal consumption.

**Perfumes**

50ml perfume or 250ml of eau de toilette

**Fuel**

Import taxes are payable on extra fuel

\* Travellers should have nothing in excess of their own personal affects (items from home such as clothes, books, tools, camera, etc.)

\* Have no commercial goods.

\* Have no prohibited or restricted items (drugs, firearms, etc.)

\* If in doubt make a Complete Declaration.

Your declaration may be challenged and your baggage may be selected for examination whichever declaration you make.

There are heavy penalties under customs law for making a False Declaration and giving or offering a bribe to a government official.



## Handy Border Tips

When it comes to border crossings in Africa, it helps to have your wits about you. These are some basic guidelines to help make crossing the Lebombo/Ressano Garcia Border Post (also called the Komatipoort Border) go smoothly.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Border rules are constantly changing - this is a rough guideline - please speak to one of our Destination Specialists for the latest information.

### Stock Up at the Komati Oasis

It is a good idea to stop off at the Komati Oasis situated on the N4 approximately 1,4 kilometres before the border. This is a good place to fill up on fuel and grab supplies for the road. There is a small supermarket, ATM and a Bureau de Change where you can get Meticals - (the local currency).

The Bureau de Change is open from 08:30 - 3:30 during the week. You can also pay a small fee to use a clean toilet rather than use the facilities at the border.

Insurance - Have you remembered to get third party insurance?

If not then you can get insurance at the Global Alliance / Hollard kiosks. You can also purchase insurance at the border post. One can also buy insurance online through the DriveMoz Facebook page.

Make sure that all your paperwork is in order and have a working pen handy.

Once you arrive at the Lebombo/Ressano Garcia Border Post

The border post is busiest over weekends and Christmas and Easter and if you are travelling at these times, it pays to be patient. If you are self-catering, remember that you are only allowed to take goods of



a certain value into the country (Check with one of our Destination Specialists what the latest regulations are).

You may have to produce your till slips to prove the value of the goods so have them handy. However, Mozambique has fantastic fresh produce, so do not take too many provisions; rather enjoy the famous local cuisine.

### The South African Side

As you enter the border post you will be given a gate pass.

Once inside the customs building you will need to fill in the paperwork, including a Temporary Export Permit for the vehicle.

You will have to declare any valuables worth over R3000, such as laptops, iPads and Cameras. The lower you can realistically declare them at, the less likely you are to have hassles.

Check that the form is stamped and keep it in a safe place as you will need to show it upon your re-entry into South Africa.

Next you will have to complete immigration, so have your passport handy.

Then go back to your car and as you drive through to Mozambique you will have to give your gate pass to the guard.

### The Mozambican Side

On the other side of the border you will be stopped by a guard and given another gate pass.

Take some Rand in small denominations in with you and your passports.

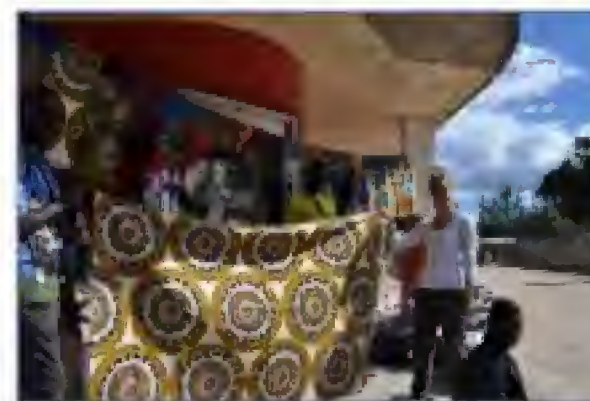
You will need to fill in a temporary vehicle import form.

Each person in the vehicle will need to fill in an immigration form and have their passport stamped at the immigration counter

You will each have to pay a nominal processing fee.

Then your vehicle will be checked by a customs official.

Have your South African declaration form handy.



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# Sunsets over Massingir Dam

[ THERE'S SO MUCH MORE TO MOZAMBIQUE  
THAN ITS BEACHES... INTRODUCING COVANE COMMUNITY LODGE. ]



**T**he word 'Mozambique' evokes images of red drinks laced generously with rum, luminous sunsets that seem to last forever and a leisurely lifestyle that lends itself to fishing for the next big catch, a refreshing swim and soaking up the sun with a cold one in hand.

You will find all this and more just beyond the Giryondo border post when travelling through the Kruger National Park - **Covane Community Lodge** is situated on the banks of the majestic Massingir Dam, overlooking a watery horizon framed by mountains and Mopani trees, within comfortable driving distance of popular beach destinations like Bilene and Xai-Xai. Add the allure of opportunities to hook a tiger fish, quiet nights under starry skies and the call of fish eagles to rouse you for breakfast, then you might never want to travel any further than Covane.

Covane Community Lodge is owned by the local Canhane community, near the town of Massingir, and is commercially managed by Andre & Marina

Scholtz who immigrated to Mozambique from South Africa. Proceeds from tourist reservations benefit the community directly.

## ITS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY

The Covane Community Lodge was originally established in 2004 and built with the support of Helvetas, a Swiss NGO. Lodge management was a massive challenge since construction was completed, and by 2014 the project was subsequently reassigned to the portfolio of LUPA, a Mozambique-based NGO who appointed the Scholtz family. They now work closely with LUPA to develop and improve all infrastructure for both the lodge and the surrounding community. It is the endeavour of lodge management to constantly increase tourism to



the area, thereby generating the income necessary to fund community projects. Classrooms were constructed for the local school in 2015, and running water fed by the dam is now supplied to the community. Future projects include drinking water safe for drinking, various sanitation projects and permanent electricity supplied to both the lodge and the community. The lodge has been transformed into a success story, and the future looks even brighter.

## ALTERNATIVE ROUTE

The lodge has already become a firm favourite with regular visitors, and serves as unique destination offering tranquil escape for holiday makers, fishermen and serves as an intimate function venue. More than this, the lodge also offers ideal overnight accommodation for those who use the Kruger National Park and Limpopo Trans-Frontier Park as alternative route between the Mozambican coast and South Africa. It is a welcome reprieve from the exhaustion of overlanding, providing various types of accommodation that range from creature comfort to basic camping with outstanding ablution facilities.

## ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

Covane's accommodation options include spaciouly appointed chalets that offer unbeatable views and en-suite luxury



overlooking the Massingir Dam. Six additional en-suite units offer rustic comforts disguised as traditional bush huts – all supplied with crisp linens, fresh towelling and sufficient mosquito nets. Bed and breakfast rates apply to all both types of chalet units, as they are not self-catering. For those who prefer self-catering camping, camp sites are available with comfortable ablution facilities are surrounded by lush Marula and Mopani trees.

The luxurious houseboat on the Massingir Dam







sleeps a family of four, and is accompanied by a skipper for the period during which the vessel is chartered. It is ideal for those who require water-based accommodation while on an extended fishing trip. It provides accommodation for self-catering holidays or fishing trips, perfect for those fishermen who feel drawn to hooking the fierce tigerfish. The Massingir Dam, with a wall spanning over five kilometres, stretches twenty kilometres into the Elefantes Gorge and straddles the South African border where it flows from the Kruger National Park and harbours some truly monstrous tigerfish.

#### THE VENUE

Back on shore the restaurant and bar is perfectly located on a rise overlooking Massingir Dam from its cool interior shaded by traditional reed thatching. Guests can lounge with a book while sipping a quintessential Rum&Raspberry, or in the pool while admiring the horizon as a setting scarlet sun is serenaded by a pair of African Fish Eagles.

Covane Community Lodge recently hosted a gorgeous engagement one year, and a wedding the next, making it the ideal venue for your next function. As a function venue the lodge can accommodate up to 60 guests for weddings, corporate functions or team buildings. Overnight guests can then choose between lake view chalets, bush huts and camping.

The cuisine at Covane is served buffet-style and includes continental favourites for breakfast and dinner. Your tastes for local flavours could be entertained by meals that include local delicacies like Pao bread, Portuguese barbequed chicken and mealie pap – minus the traditional Mopani Worm stew, unless you're feeling brave and they happen to be in season!

When planning your next trip to Mozambique, make sure to plan it along this alternative route spanning from Phalaborwa in South Africa, through the Kruger National Park, past the Limpopo Transfrontier Park and Massingir Dam on to the beaches of of the Mozambican coastline. Covane Community Lodge is likely to become the overnight stop you prefer to return to time and again, and may even hook you as a destination all unto itself. Just one look at the sun as sets over Massingir Dam while you toast the end of a perfect day will be forever etched into your mind and heart.



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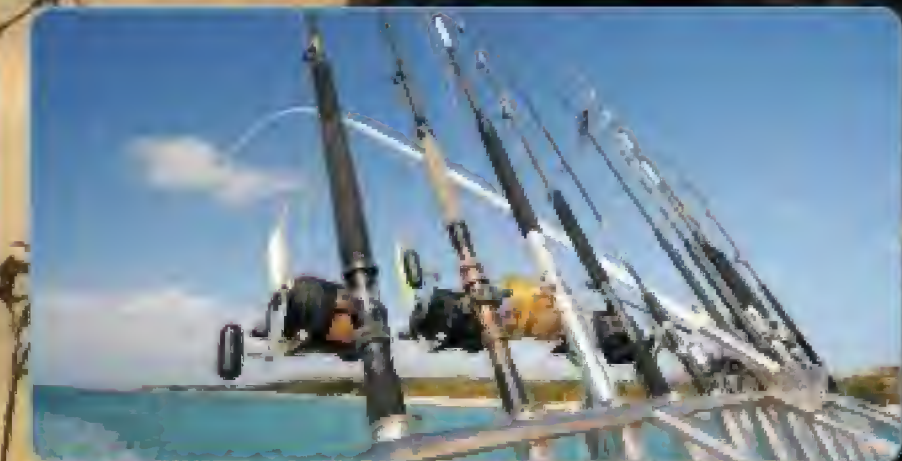
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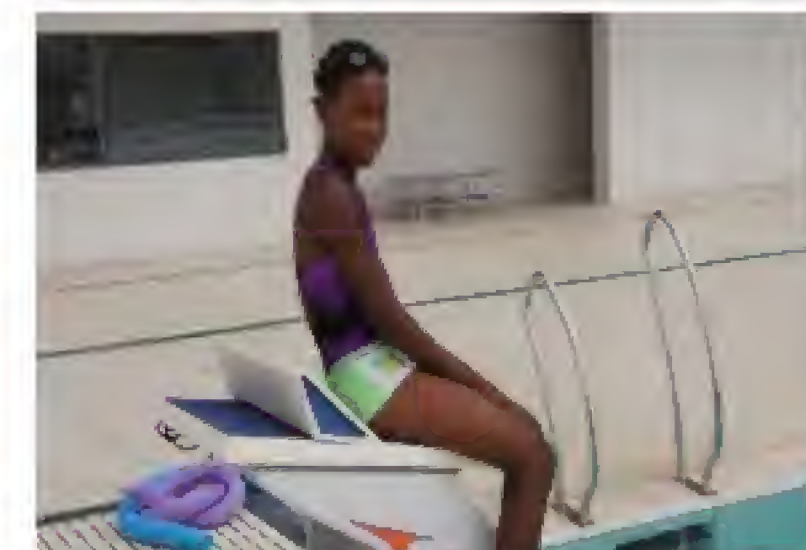
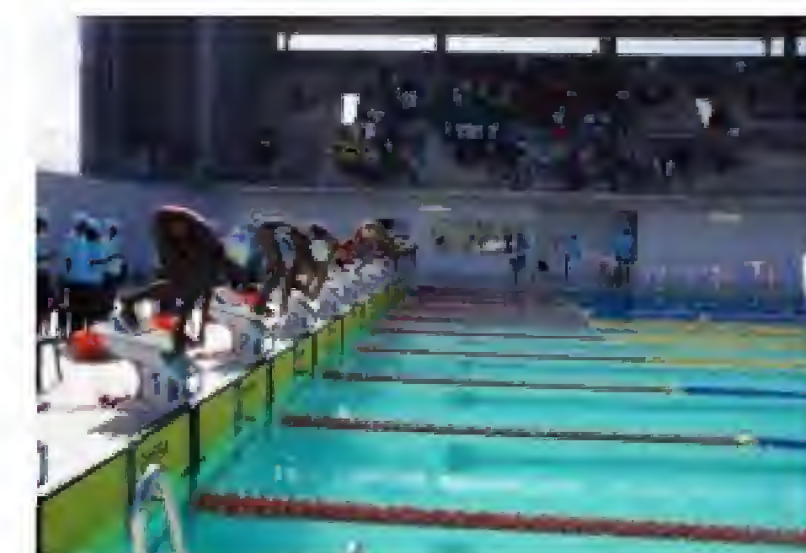
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# THE RISING STARS

## of Inhambane Province

by Sabrina Weiss



**T**he Marine Megafauna Foundation's education program, Nemos Pequenos, aims to create a new generation of ocean guardians who have a compassionate understanding of their marine environment by teaching them how to live with and protect it. Through swimming and marine conservation lessons as well as community events, the program has already reached over 1,000 young Mozambicans in the Inhambane Province in the last four years

since it was launched, and helped to reduce drowning rates and increase their awareness of sustainable fishing practices.

At the end of January 2016, five Nemos Pequenos graduates marked another major milestone as they headed to Maputo to represent Inhambane Province at the National Swimming Championships for the first time in twenty years. Having never seen a 50m-long pool before except on TV and only

trained in 9m pools around Tofo Beach, the racers Delta Paulino, Filipe Armando, Nelson Luciano, Oliveira Simone and Simone Alberto, had great challenges to face. After two days of training and instruction on competition procedures, including diving off starting blocks, all participants successfully finished the race. Delta, the only female Nemos Pequenos participant, placed second in breaststroke.

Gabriel Marime, Education Officer at the Marine Megafauna Foundation, commented: "Nemos Pequenos went to Maputo not

to race but to show the country that we have incredibly talented people in the Inhambane Province who enjoy being in the water. We are proud of what we have achieved and thrilled to have received the opportunity to demonstrate this."

"There is a need to build swimming infrastructure in the province though, allowing kids and young adults to train in local pools with like-minded people and further improve these valuable life skills. Regional sport clubs and competitions are a fun way to keep them busy and away from crime and drugs."



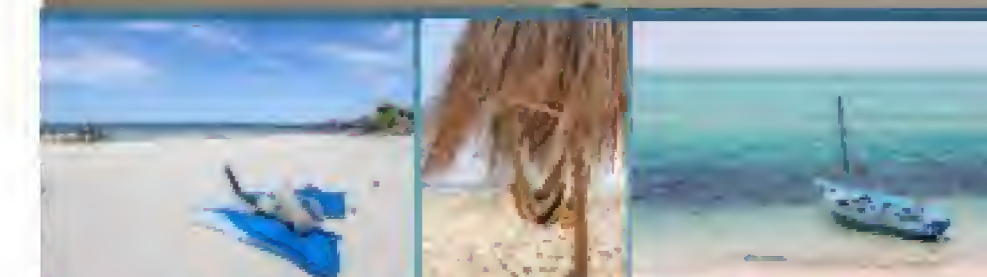
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As the Nemos Pequenos program continues to grow across the Inhambane Province, there is still a lack of proper swimming infrastructure. The construction of a large pool and establishment of a swimming club in the Tofo area as well as the acquisition of a van enabling Nemos Pequenos instructors to reach more remote communities would give more children the opportunity learn about and protect their ocean, and encourage many generations to come to become ocean guardians.  
[www.marinemegafauna.org/education](http://www.marinemegafauna.org/education)  
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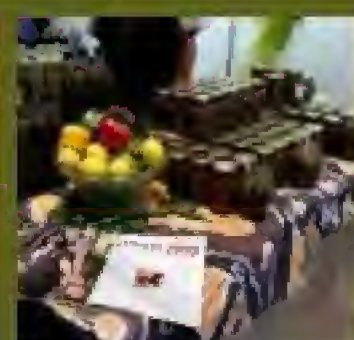
# Mozambican



Shrimp is the fruit of the sea.  
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## SHRIMPS

Shrimp Mozambique Recipe (Serves 4 hungry people when served over rice)

Ingredients:

- 1 medium or 1/2 a large sweet onion, finely chopped
- 4 large cloves of garlic, minced
- 3 Tablespoons fresh parsley, finely chopped
- 2 packets of Goya Azafran
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/2 stick of unsalted butter
- 1 can of light beer
- 1 pound of 31-40 shrimp; raw, peeled and cleaned or leave peeled
- salt and ground pepper to taste
- 1-2 teaspoons dried or wet red pepper, optional
- Cooked brown rice

Directions:

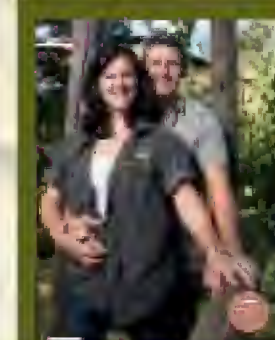
1. Prepare the onion and place in a small bowl. Prepare the garlic, parsley, azafran (and red pepper if you want some more 'heat') and place all in a separate small bowl and set aside.
2. Melt the butter and oil over medium to medium-high heat in a large pan or wok. Add the onion and cook for 4-5 minutes. Lower the heat to medium and add the ingredients from the second small bowl and cook for 3 minutes.
3. If you wish to remove the shell from the shrimp.
4. Pour the beer into the pan, cover and cook for 4-5 minutes. Add the shrimp, cover and cook for 3 minutes, flip them over/stir and cook another 3 minutes. Pour the contents into a bowl so that you do not over-cook the shrimp. Taste and season if necessary.
5. Serve over rice.



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# Reef Resort

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Established in 2010, Reef Resort in Praia de Xai Xai has become a popular destination for guests who enjoy combining home comforts with a sunny, adventure filled holiday. Only 230kms north of Maputo, Reef Resort is becoming a regular weekend destination for Maputo residents and because of the close proximity to Ressano Garcia and Giryondo Border Posts as well as the easy access to the resort (no 4x4 is required), more and more South African guests are visiting Reef Resort for long weekends and holidays. Nestled on the dunes, overlooking the ocean, Reef Resort offers self-catering accommodation at its best. Each of the 20 houses

are perfectly located to optimise the 180° sea views. The spacious, tastefully decorated sea-side themed houses are equipped with everything you'll need for a 'home away from home' beach holiday, each house is air-conditioned, has satellite television and its own large deck with a splash pool. The owners, Scot & Judy Lawrence are involved with the day to day running of the resort. With an emphasis on old fashioned hospitality that is accompanied with modern amenities, they are ably assisted by a friendly, efficient and enthusiastic team. With the opening of their Restaurant in December 2013, guests now have the option of self-catering or dining in style at Café Pescador.





Reef Resort's fishing boat brings in the wonderful fresh daily catch from the rich ocean just meters away from the spacious 70 seater, double-storey restaurant. Coupled with the abundant 'pantry' of seasonal sub-tropical fruit and vegetables, including home grown organic herbs and vegetables and the diverse seafood, Café Pescador offers a unique dining experience.

The Reef Resort Venue was officially opened in December 2014. This 100-seater venue is a venue like no other. It has been taste-

fully decorated by a leading design team and it has all the facilities you would need to host a successful conference or a memorable function. The in-house event management team understands that each event is unique and will tailor make your conference, wedding or special occasion, to suit your specific needs.

#### Facilities

Each house has its own swimming pool and there are beautiful beaches close by. The beach in front of the resort is a close walk from the houses, it is beautiful but is not the safest swimming beach, there are magnificent beaches a short drive away.

Activities offered by Reef Resort are deep sea fishing charters, whale watching excursions (only during the Winter months) and guided quad bike tours. They have a selection of snorkelling gear available for hire. Enjoy snorkelling along the reef that runs parallel to the beach.

Sip on a cocktail while taking in the beautiful vistas.

You can enjoy a sundowner on the dunes which are a short drive away or sip on a sundowner from the privacy of your own pool. Enjoy a meal at Café Pescador – fresh sea food is the speciality at Café Pescador but also available on the menu are many other dishes like Peri Peri chicken, hand rolled pizzas and decadent, homemade desserts.

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## Southern Mozambique Praia do Xai Xai

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# Mozambique's ULTIMATE DESTINATIONS

We've put together a few of Mozambique's awesome holiday spots in various destinations throughout the country just for you!  
Whether you're looking for peace & quiet on an untouched beach or to mingle with the locals in the hustle and bustle of city life, you should be able to find somewhere suitable with a little help from us...

## Ponta do Ouro THINGS TO DO

### Scuba Diving

If you come to Mozambique on holiday, this is one of those bucket list items not to miss out on. Here are some of the local and well-known diving operators in Ponta do Ouro:

Oceana: Sandy on +258 84 847-8110  
Back to Basics: Jenny on +258 84 423 2299

Whaler: Hilton on +258 84 705 2121  
DevOcean: Lea on +258 84 206 1120  
Simply Scuba: +27 11 678 0972  
Go Azul: Mel on +258 84 339 2910  
Scuba Adventures: on +270116489648

### Swim with Dolphins:

Dolphin Centre: on +258 21 901 189  
Dolphin Encounters: Angie Gullan on +258 84 330 3859

### Markets

Head down to the market area and ask the locals how to find these restaurants within the back section of the market. It is quite an experience and might scare you off but rest assured you are extremely safe in this region. Some of the restaurants wash your hands before and after you eat and the food is out of this world and is generally bought fresh every day.

### Fishing:

Go Azul: Laurence on +258 84 339 2910  
Nirvana: Bert on +258 84 845 6435

### Quad Biking:

Back to Basics: Rupert on +258 84 423 2299  
Extreme: on +258 84 205 2799/77

### Paragliding:

Richard on +258 84 205 8418



## PUBS & RESTAURANTS

### LOVE Cafe

Head to the crossroads between the market and the village and find a tranquil setting to enjoy cocktails and great Italian style meals of homemade pasta, pizzas etc. Great playground for kids to run around in and a great venue to spend the evening listening to Mozambique live bands from the region. Contact Dario or Michelle at the venue. email: [michelle.cantonze@gmail.com](mailto:michelle.cantonze@gmail.com)

### Neptunes

Great evening sundowner spot for watching the bats leave their daytime residence in the motel at sunset! Also often have music evenings with some of the local talent or international when in town. Contact Maronelle on +258-84-619-5105

### Ponta Beach Bar

Well known amongst the locals, surfers, scuba divers, fishing fraternity as a place to meet either for breakfast or for a quick thirst quencher after baking in the glorious Ponta do Ouro sun. Of course there is nothing like a great breakfast after a scuba dive or when you get back after a day of being out on the water. Contact: Louis on +258 84 398 8364

### Come to See

Situated on the stretch from Do Ouro to Malongane with views of magnificent sunsets over a lake, Come to See offers a variety of scrumptious meals at an affordable price.

### Pintos Beach Bar

Located on the beach if walking north from the bay beach area. You will see the steps heading up to the bar and might even hear the music urging you to enter with a good chance of finding Pinto driving the music even harder on a Jemba drum! If you like Majito's this is the place to be at sunset!

### Fernandos

If you tell your friends you have been to Ponta do Ouro but you have to admit you did not go to Fernando's you will be in serious trouble so make sure you spend a morning/afternoon/evening there to find out why! Contact Fernando on: +258 84 766 7131

## PLACES TO STAY

### Splash Out:

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Website: [www.pontabeachcamps.co.za](http://www.pontabeachcamps.co.za)

### Baleia a Vista

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Website: [www.baleiavista.com](http://www.baleiavista.com)

### Mid-Range:

**Kaya Kweru** boasts an upmarket resort with 24 en-suite, air-conditioned apartments. Meals can be enjoyed in the restaurant (no self-catering). <http://www.pontadoouro.co.za/kayakweru.html>

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**Primo Cabanas Backpackers** and camping - contact Carlos if you wish to stay very near to the beach opposite the camp site. You are fortunate to have mangos on site for breakfasts and meals when you do not have the energy to make your own. Phone: Carlos on +258 84-484-3643 email: [carlosinpon-ta@yahoo.com](mailto:carlosinpon-ta@yahoo.com)





# Bilene

## THINGS TO DO

### Kayaking:

If you're fit enough to take the challenge, you can choose to either kayak across the entire lagoon to explore various beaches of the San Martinho, or head straight to the lagoon mouth that opens up onto Bilene beach. From here you can park your kayak and take a nice long walk south, along Bilene's beautiful beaches to Turtle Cliff which is an elevated point offering amazing overhead views of Bilene Beach. Turtle Cliff lives up to its name and is known to be a great advantage point for not only spotting turtles that swim to shore to lay their eggs, but is also convenient for spotting dolphins and whale watching, so don't forget to bring your Binoculars!

### Jet ski:

The Sao Martinho is a salt water lagoon that runs roughly 27km parallel to the Indian Ocean. Although the lagoon has a mouth that is always kept open for boat trips, a huge sandbar is what separates the lagoon and ocean. The lagoon's calm waters make it safe for swimming and ideal for a variety of watersports, such as windsurfing, kitesurfing, wake boarding, jet Skiing, kayaking and much more.

### 4 x 4 & quad trails:

4x4 and quad tracks around the Lagoon and to Bilene beach make for a fun activity.

### Other Activities:

Tube-riding

Wake-boarding

Bar hopping

Boating

Fishing

Diving

Turtle watching

## PUBS & RESTAURANTS

### Praia Do Sol Restaurant

[www.pdsol.co.za](http://www.pdsol.co.za)

The Restaurant, Bar and Pool Decks are the social hub of the resort. The restaurant is built from the local natural materials, overlooking the San Martino Lake. Relax in the ambience of a tropical bush and beach lifestyle. Enjoy their delightfully varied menus prepared daily, you won't be disappointed.

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[www.nghunghwalodge.com](http://www.nghunghwalodge.com)

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### Praia Do Sol

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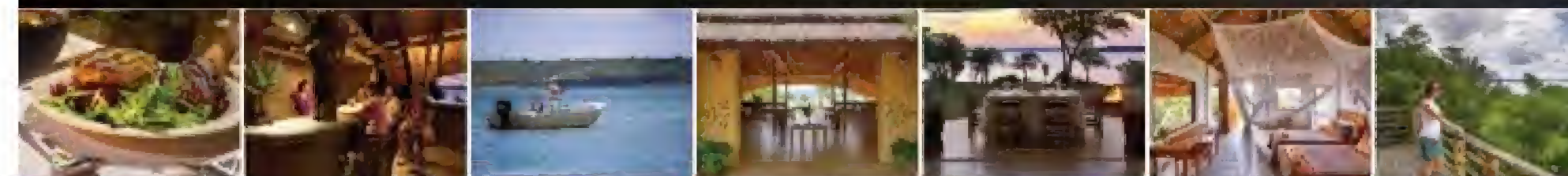
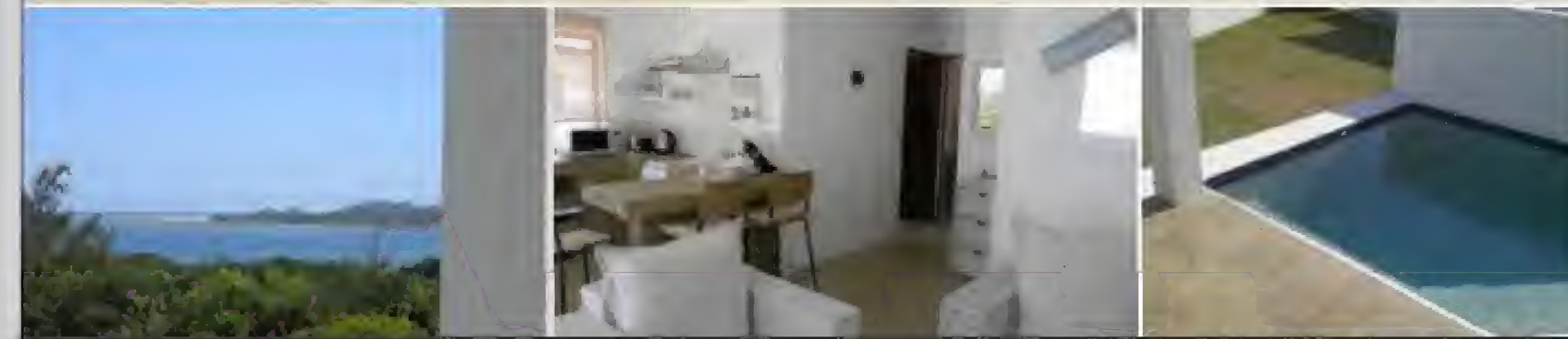
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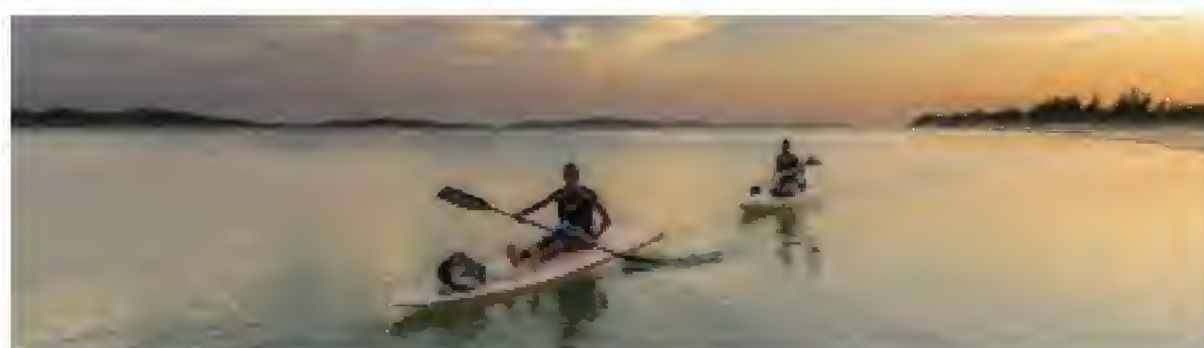


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  - \*Whale watching boat trips
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  - \*Restaurants in the area to choose from incl KFC in Town.
  - \*Deep sea and fresh water fishing
  - \*Boat launching facilities close by
  - \*Snorkeling
  - \*Quad-biking cultural tours or bring own quads
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- Please take note: some of these activities could only be available in season.

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*Xai Xai*

## THINGS TO DO

The town of Xai-Xai, situated on the Limpopo River, is a sprawling settlement of houses, markets and shops. Tourists generally only stop off for supplies in Xai-Xai: it is on the main coastal road between Maputo and the more popular beaches of Inhambane. There is, however, a great beach about 10 kilometres to the east. The bay has a coral reef running about one kilometre offshore which offers protected waters for swimming and snorkelling. Being so close to the banks of the Limpopo River, Xai-Xai was hit particularly hard by the 2000 floods, with some buildings finding themselves 3 metres deep. But the town was open for business almost as soon as the waters receded. You can stay at the Xai-Xai Beach Resort or you can camp at a beach campsite. It is a bustling town with markets, shops, restaurants, bars, petrol stations banks and a post office. An open air furniture factory situated under a grove of cashew trees a few blocks from central market is worth a visit. Praia do Xai Xai is approximately 12km from the main town. It has long sweeping beaches with safe swimming. Xai Xai beach has been a popular tourist destination since the heyday of Mozambican tourism. A reef running parallel to the shore offers good snorkeling. There are a number of fresh water lakes within half an hour's drive where kayaking, paddle skiing and windsurfing can be enjoyed and bird watching enthusiasts might get some sightings. Wenela Tidal Pool, two kilometres south, is a fascinating natural treasure, having a natural tunnel and blow hole linking the pool to the sea.

Quadbike tours

Deepsea Fishing

Mountainbiking

Snorkeling/Diving

Golf Courses

## PUBS & RESTAURANTS

### Cafe Pescador

[www.reefresort.co.za](http://www.reefresort.co.za)

Reef Resort's fishing boat brings in the wonderful fresh, daily catch from the rich ocean just meters away from the spacious 70 seater, double storey restaurant. Coupled with the abundant 'pantry' of seasonal sub-tropical fruit and vegetables, including home grown organic herbs and vegetables and the diverse seafood, Café Pescador offers a unique dining experience.

### Blue Dolphin Resort Restaurant

[www.bluedolphinresort.com](http://www.bluedolphinresort.com)

Best pizzas in Xai Xai

### Zona Braza Beach Lodge Restaurant

[www.zonabraza.com](http://www.zonabraza.com)

Zona Braza Lodge has a beautiful restaurant with spectacular views. The entertainment area has a pool room where you can play pool or darts and the swimming pool is there to be enjoyed by the whole family!

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## PLACES TO STAY

### Reef Resort

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The beach houses at Reef Resort are perfectly situated to maximise the 180 degree views of the ocean. The houses are air-conditioned and equipped for self-catering, each house has its own splash pool and braai area. Reef Resort's new restaurant, Café Pescador is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner daily (except for Mondays during the low season) and there is a beautiful new venue for conferences, weddings and celebrations -venue seats up to 140 people. Activities offered at Reef Resort are deep sea fishing charters and guided quad tours.

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### Blue Dolphin Resort

[www.bluedolphinresort.com](http://www.bluedolphinresort.com)

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Blue Dolphin Resort, Xai-Xai, self-catering holiday or corporate accommodation at Praia de Xai-Xai, Gaza, Mozambique including a festive bar and restaurant with stunning views of the beautiful beaches. The area has great rock and surf fishing, deep sea fishing charters and quad bike tours.

### Nascer Do Sol Sunrise Beach Resort

[www.nascer.co.za](http://www.nascer.co.za)

Tel: MOZ 00258 28 26 4500

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### Go Wild Family Beach Resort

[www.gowildresort.co.za](http://www.gowildresort.co.za)

Tel: SA 0027 12 755 7555

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The resort is on a gentle sloping dune that goes right down to the beach, providing breath-taking views of the Indian Ocean. Dolphins and Whales can be seen frolicking in the surf almost every day.





## Inhambane

### THINGS TO DO

The little town of Inhambane has a distinct Afro-Portuguese-Arabic flavor about it and has a number of interesting buildings dating back to the era's explained above. The town is very clean and safe and much investment / construction is currently happening to enhance Inhambane as a tourist attraction. Most of the shops are still owned by descendants of those first Arabic traders. Their town is small enough to see all the attractions in a day, including a quaint but very interesting museum, the local Mercado (Municipal market) and the many restaurants and bistro's where you can enjoy the local cuisine. There is also the opportunity to sail across the bay in a Dhow sailing boat, still built according to the ancient arabic design. You can either hop on a dhow ferrying locals between Inhambane and Maxixe or you can rent one for your own use at very affordable rates. You may even choose to visit a little island for the day. Part of the Inhambane experience is also to travel through the coconut palm forests to visit the nearby coastal holiday destinations, Tofu Bay and the famous Barra Reef. Both offer many lodging opportunities ranging from hotel and backpacker accommodation at Tofu, as well as good 3 to 5 star lodgings at Barra Reef.

#### Stuff to do:

Deepsea Fishing  
Quadbiking  
Diving/Snorkeling  
Ocean Safari's  
Island Dhow Trips

### PUBS & RESTAURANTS

#### Tartaruga Beach Restaurant

[www.tartarugabeach.co.za](http://www.tartarugabeach.co.za)

Their beach bar overlooks the beach with stunning sea views and is open from early for coffee on the deck, for breakfast from 9 am, lunch and dinner until 10 pm. The bar stays open till the last man falls down! They also have good sound for late night parties and a "big screen" for music dvd's and for all sporting events

#### Mokolo Bay – Charles Restaurant

[www.mokolobay.co.za](http://www.mokolobay.co.za)

Charlie's Pub and Restaurant as the locals call it, sits literally on the estuary with spectacular views. Shaded tables outside for you to relax at, and enjoy the view over the estuary. This restaurant offers lunch and dinner. Breakfast can be arranged prior to arrival. The restaurants affordable prices and good food must be on your list to do, when you in our area!!!!

#### Bali Hai Lodge – Restaurant

[www.balihailodge.co.za](http://www.balihailodge.co.za)

The restaurant offers a la carte meals, and the lodge will also arrange a package deal for guests on dinner, bed and breakfast basis. Conference facilities can be arranged on request.

#### Neptunes Lodge & Beach Bar

Experience fun, adventure, the best of local food and relaxation at this tropical paradise. Owner run by Wayne & Jo, Neptune's Lodge & Beach Bar offers a friendly, island style vibe just steps away from the clear, warm waters of the Indian Ocean. It's the perfect destination for family holidays, honeymoons and the adventurous at heart.

### PLACES TO STAY

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Tel: SA 0027 82 741 5594

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#### Linga Linga Paradise Lodge

[www.lingaparadiselodge.com](http://www.lingaparadiselodge.com)

Tel: MOZ 00258 84 106 5355

Tel: SA 0027 83 633 1728

The peaceful Linga Linga Lodge offers self - catering chalets situated right on the beach with a restaurant, bar and swimming pool all on site and beautiful beach just a few paces from your bed, a perfect place for everyone.

#### Hotel Casa Do Capita

[www.hotelcasadocapita.com](http://www.hotelcasadocapita.com)

Tel: MOZ 00258 29 321 408/9

24 Luxury spacious en-suite rooms with a 270 degree view of the renown bay. The hotel is ideally located in one of the oldest houses in Inhambane which used to belong to the port captain. The hotel is perfectly situated for guests to explore the historical sights of Inhambane city or alternatively make use of the hotels fully equipped launching site where guests are able to scuba dive, snorkel or spend some time fishing.

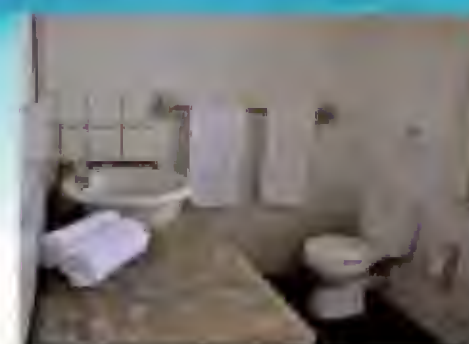
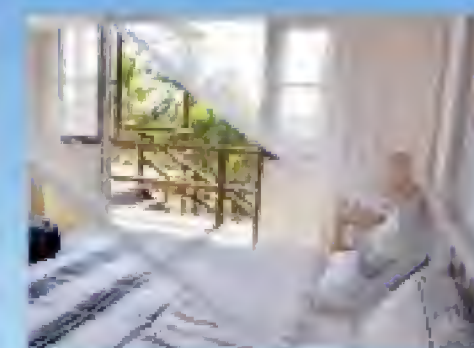
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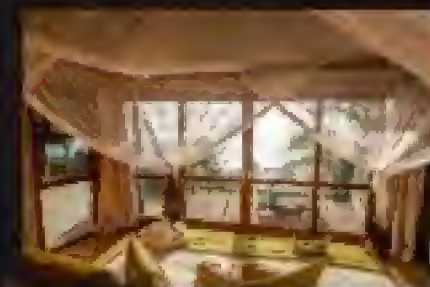
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# BAZARUTO ISLAND VIEW ESTATE

BIVE FULLY COMPLIES WITH ALL LEGISLATION ON INVESTMENT IN MOZAMBIQUE SUCH AS THE LAWS ON INVESTMENT, REGULATION OF THE INVESTMENT LAW AND THE CODE OF FISCAL BENEFITS AS REGULATED BY THE INVESTMENT PROMOTION CENTRE (CPI)

Bazaruto Island View Estate (BIVE) is being developed by Mozambique Property Developments & Investments with the state tourism promotion agency, Mozaico do Indigo. The first stage of the Project has begun with the construction of the show houses, and will be one of the largest coastal developments in Mozambique. The estate will be developed on a 42 hectare coastal site situated 12 kilometres from Vilanculos, and offers you the opportunity to invest in the best foreign Dollar based investment in one of the finest holiday destinations in Africa, with a National Marine Park, rare and beautiful sea life, colourful scenery with all the conveniences of city life a short distance away.

All the islands of the Bazaruto Archipelago are in spectacular full view from Bazaruto Island View Estate, in fact it is so close one wants to reach out to touch them. The distance from the back western boundary of the estate is a mere 550 metres from the shoreline and the front of the property is on the beach, which forms the eastern boundary. Resorts along the Bazaruto Archipelago have been voted some of the most sought-after destinations in the world because of the combination of tropical weather, warm crystal clear ocean, white sandy beaches and unspoiled surroundings. With all the wonderful natural characteristics the area has in abundance, it promotes a tranquil paradise type lifestyle for holidaymakers wanting to make this their destination of choice. These many characteristics have a positive effect on the market value of all legal property developments in this area.

Sasol is already prominent in the area, with a significant operation assisting other companies with natural gas extraction and maintenance of the pipelines running between Vilanculos and Secunda in South Africa. Mozambique is increasingly opening up to SA property investors following the introduction of new legislation in 2007, which allows foreigners to buy into multiple-unit resort developments. Mozambique is slowly becoming a global tourist destination of choice, and Mozambique is one of the safest countries in Africa, offering a safety that we as South Africans are not used to. Serious and violent crime is uncommon, which is why when an incident does hit the news, the media uses these incidents as headlines to attract more readers, listeners or viewers.

South Africans, after a visit to Mozambique, cannot stop talking about how amazing and friendly the people of the country are. In Mozambique safe, secure and tranquil living is A REALITY. Buying opportunities are available on select Mozambique islands, as well as in sought-after coastal areas like Vilanculos in the Province of Inhambane. Mozambique is generally still more affordable than Mauritius and the Seychelles. The BIVE Private Residence section comprises 146 units, priced from \$155,000 USD for a two-bedroom villa to \$1,100,000 USD for a beachfront purposely designed house. Bazaruto Island View Estate will comprise the following sections on the estate: BIVE Private Residence, BIVE Beach Lodge, BIVE Holiday Resort, BIVE Small Crafts Marina, BIVE Luxury Homes, BIVE Medical Facility, BIVE Lakeside Lodge, BIVE Business Centre, BIVE Central Office and BIVE Rental Agent and many additional facilities.

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## Vilanculos

### THINGS TO DO

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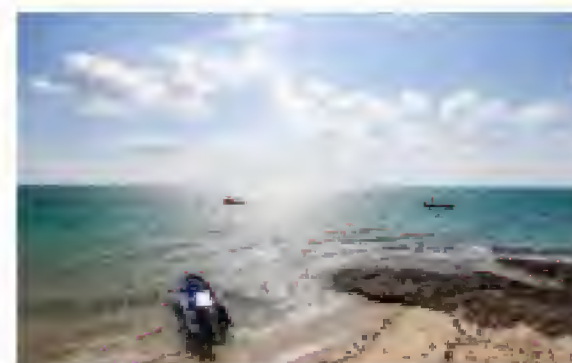
**Deepsea Fishing**  
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**Dhow Safaris**  
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**Canoeing**  
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**Diving/Snorkelling**  
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**Island Walking**  
Whether you start your walk from the north or south beaches of Vilanculos, you will find yourself walking for kilometres and kilometres without a sweat.



### PUBS & RESTAURANTS

**Hotel Dona Ana – Colher Restaurant**  
[www.hoteldonaana.com](http://www.hoteldonaana.com)  
Each night Colher presents a sultry fusion of Afro-Portuguese a la carte cuisine that is both gracefully presented and unashamedly bold in flavour. Every morning an abundant breakfast buffet is laid out for guest's enjoyment. Light meals and snacks are also available throughout the day at Hotel Dona Ana's fine dining restaurant (Dona Ana herself would never have abided a hungry guest). Afro-Portuguese culture embraces children and they are always catered for.

**Casa Rex Restaurant**  
[www.solresortsonline.com](http://www.solresortsonline.com)  
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**Archipelago Resort**  
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**Casa Chibububo Lodge**  
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**Dugong Beach Lodge**  
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Tel: SA 0027 12 443 6700  
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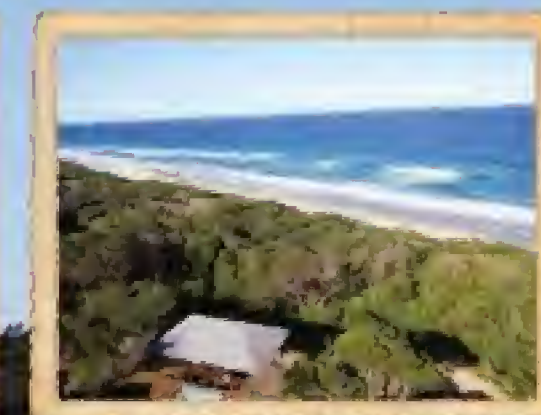
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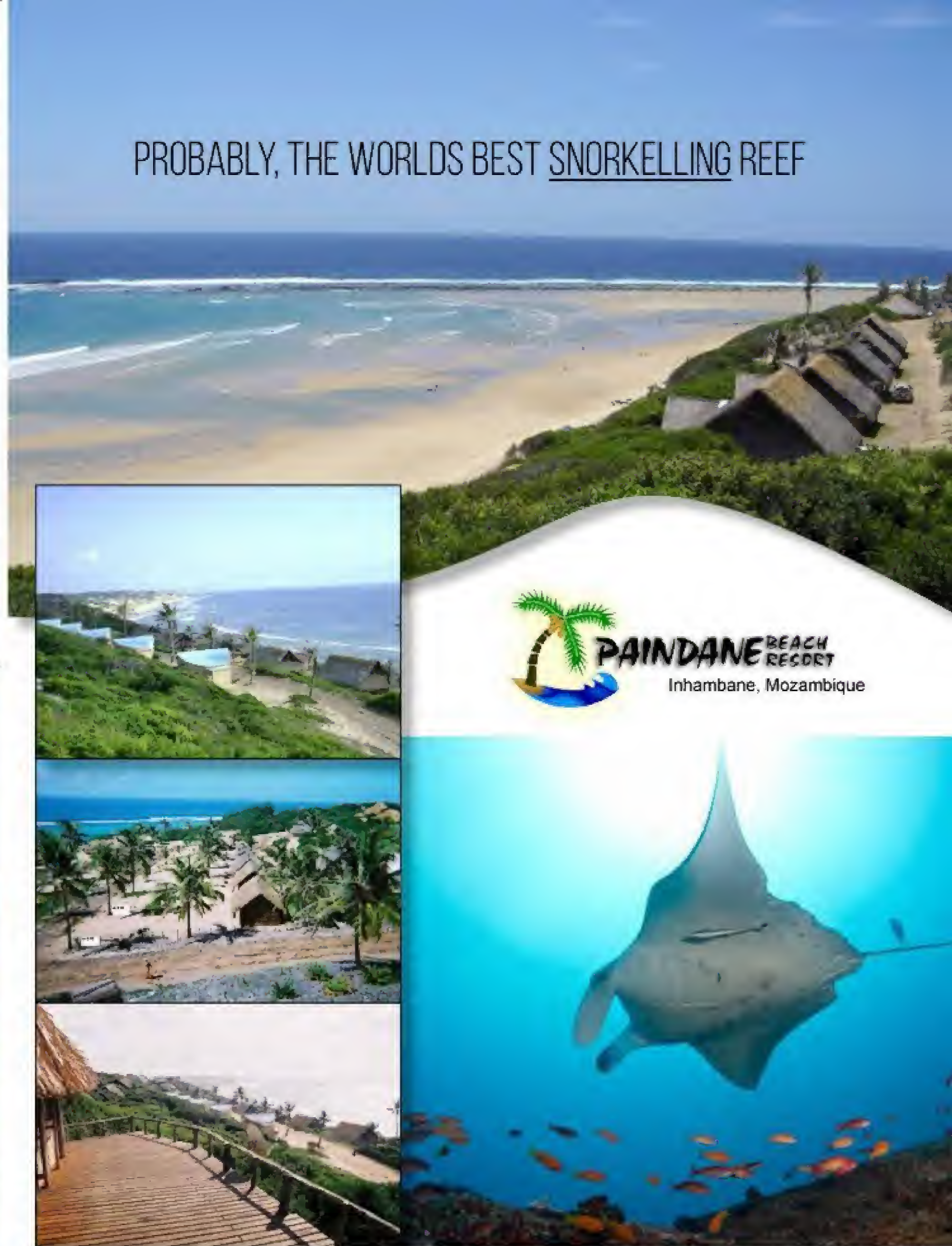


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Seven years and still going strong.. In fact growing bigger and better each year. The Racetech Yamaha Jet Ski Fishing Classic 2016 attracted the biggest field yet this year. 140 Jet Ski anglers taking part in the Worlds biggest Jet Ski only fishing competition sure is a sight to behold.

With fishing taking place in the pristine water's off Ponta do Ouro and festivities in the resort of Coco Rico, this event just has all the right ingredients. And that's why it keeps growing bigger and bigger. Ponta is so close to the South African border and many may argue that it is not really Mozambique. This can't be further from the truth. If you visit this area out of season (and our comp is really very out of season) you will encounter Mozambique at its very best.

The waters off of Ponta do Ouro are also some of the best managed in the country. An abundance of prime fishing reefs in a partial MPA means there is a vast array of species to target. Most of the species targeted are open water Pelagic's and there was a good mix of species caught. From Dorado, Wahoo, Yellowfin Tuna, King Mackerel to a few Marlin as well. The event is run on a catch photo and release format meaning impact on the fish life in the area is very minimal. All species have to be released bar dangerous and toothy characters such as Wahoo and King Mackerel. This means that 90% of the fish caught are returned, and along

with being a Jet Ski only competition make it a truly unique event. The fishing this year was far from wild, however some competitors were able to find fish in abundance at times and it was one of the most closely contested finishes yet. On day one Riaan Louw had an incredible day landing 8 fish and 5 species. Being a multiplying format- species multiplied by 'weight' this put him in a commanding lead going into the second day).

However it is never over till it is over as they say. The next day Neels Barkhuizen found the fish, in good numbers and plentiful species. His score for the day was enough to overhaul Riaan and take the title, with a mere 10 points separating them. Chez Thackwray was not far behind in third place. Well done to all the top finisher's and our 2016 winner in particular Neels Barkhuizen. A full report of the event will be in the next issue of Go Fish. Follow us on facebook for footage of the event as well.

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# Jangamo

## Beach Villas



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n elevated resort that gives you a 180 degree view of the warm Mozambique Channel, Indian Ocean. As an endless horizon fractured by the deep hues of the rising sun, "Bem-Vinda" 'welcome' to another day in paradise. The resort boasts one of the largest campsites in the area. Offering customers the option to camp out under the stars while providing shaded areas under the Cashew Nut trees on those warm Mozambique days. Baraka's, these comfortable self-contained units, of which there are four, two of which are conjoined for family groups. They offer a kitchenette, shower and toilet. A large open plan area where customers can erect

their tents or merely bring out the mattress and sleeping bag. Cabanas, these rustic yet comfortable units offer the more seasoned travellers or customers the facility to bring with them all the self-catering requirements. These units provide guests with the comforts of both the wild flora & fauna and views of the ocean. Villas, these five units offer guests views over the ocean from the comfort of your patios or from the loft rooms where available. With the same comforts provided these units are spacious and cater for families and friends.





With the popularity of diving, the area is poised at offering some of the best dive sites and encounters with sea life. The annual migration of Humpbacked Whales in the winter months (June – August) is by far the highlight of the season. Where one can embrace these marvellous mammals on an ocean safari and even enter the water with them. Their audible calling reverberates through your body, leaving one almost paralysed with sheer elation of being in their presence.

With the endless grains of beach sand there are kilometres of wide open spaces for holiday makers to immerse themselves in the tranquillity of life here. For the more adventurous tourist it's a favourite for early morning runs. Locals commute to the beaches in high season selling off their local crafts, fish & fruit also offering to pack up, clean and take care of one's piece of domain on the beach.

While aspiring to the sustainability of the angling or over fishing in the shallower waters, anglers can be rewarded by the thrill of deep sea fishing and the hunt for larger game fish. An annual angler's competition held in June brings in the seasoned sportsman & woman.

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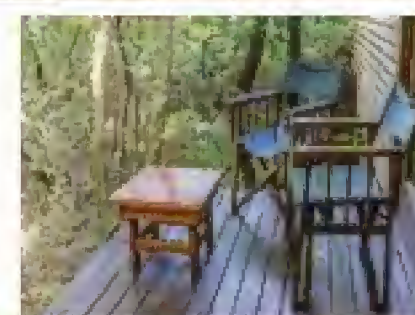
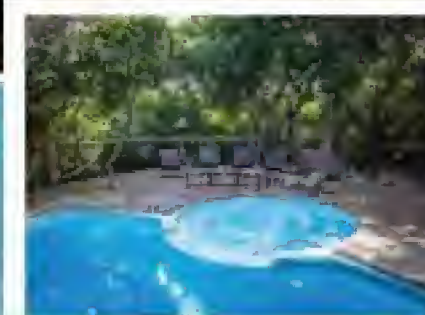
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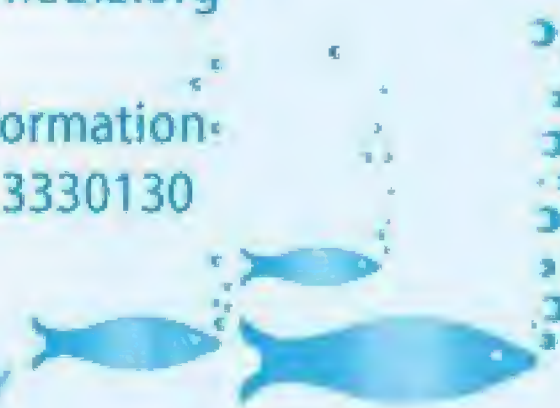
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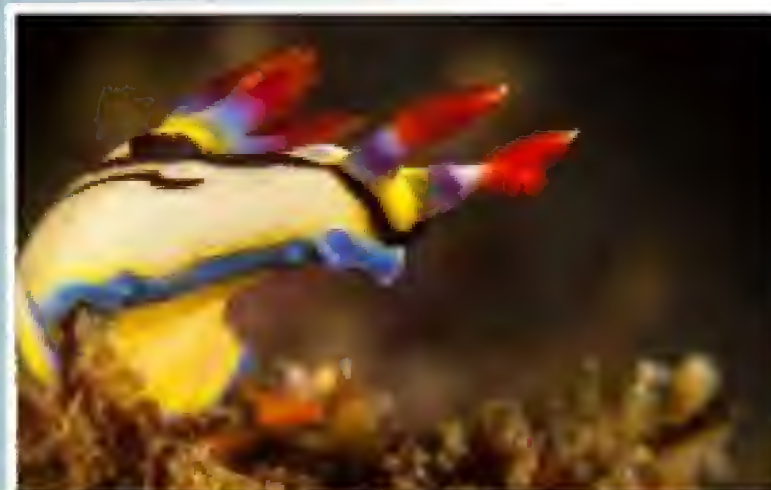
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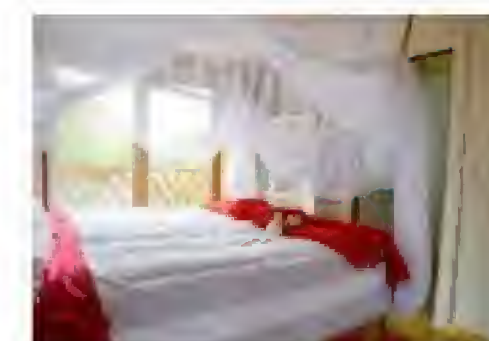
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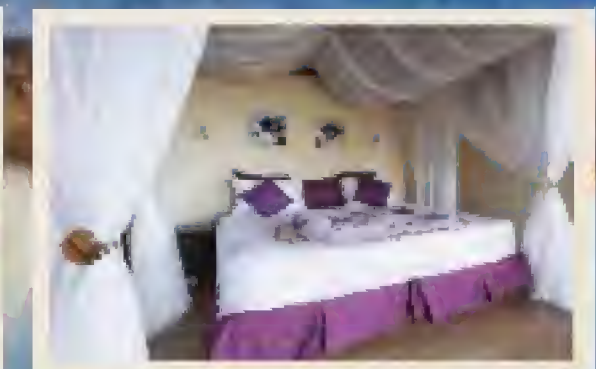
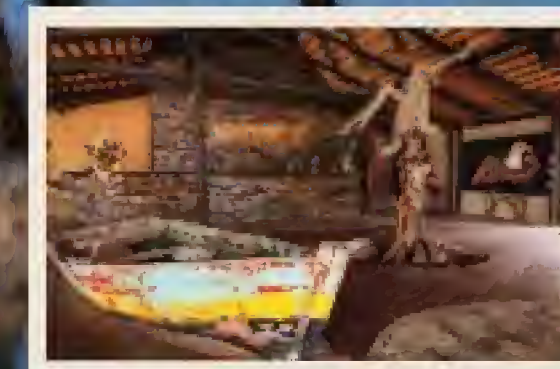
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Width: .....	1.780m
Couple height: .....	600mm
Chassis ground clearance: .....	580mm
Suspension: Independent rubber suspension	
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Tare weight: .....	690kg
Gross weight: .....	1500kg

<b>Libra</b>	
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Width: .....	1.780m
Couple height: .....	600mm
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# Wedding Bliss

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A special thank you to our awesome sponsors Kosi Bay Lodge, Magic Bean Records, Bazaruto Seafood, Groenkloof, Bazaruto Seafood Centurion, Impala Butchery Malelane, Epa! Industries, Waterside Lodge & John West Photography.

We highly recommend Minister Andre Smith from Ponta for a beach wedding who gave the most awesome service. We would also like thank Tertia Wagner for all her effort to make all the beach & wedding signs. With the assistance from Edward Hill's record company, Magicbean Records, the singers Ample du Preez & Tanya Schoeman "TUIN" made sure everyone were dancing till late! To our bridesmaids & groomsmen, words cannot describe what important part you played in our special day!

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*We think that all the guests will agree when we say, "EVERY second was magical, plenty of humour and fun...from the boat trip, to the late "kuiers" & braais, swimming in the lake with wed-ding clothes, trip to Ponta, R&R's & pao's!" This weekend will be definitely remembered as "one for the books".*

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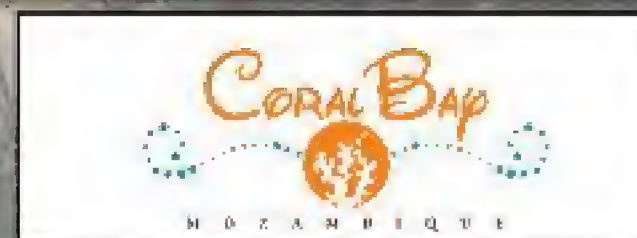


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# Mozambique Info Guide by Michael John Slater

## Frequently Asked Questions

### WHO DOES NOT NEED A VISA?

Passport holders of the following countries **DO NOT NEED A VISA**: Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe. You will still get an entry permit for up to 30 days stamped in your passport, but this is **NOT** the same as a visa and cannot be extended - you will have to leave Mozambique and re-enter on a new entry permit.

### WHO DOES NEED A VISA?

**ALL** other nationalities do need a visa, and there seems to be no

difference in the way citizens of the countries that require a visa are treated. In other words, there are no countries that Mozambique routinely refuses to grant a visa, or denies entry. What Mozambique charges you for your visa at its consulates, depends on how much Mozambicans are charged for a visa when visiting your country.

### How do I get a Visa?

There is so much confusion, ignorance and misinformation on the topic of visas to Mozambique.

So here is my attempt to clarify a few things. Firstly, Mozambique consulates and Travel Agents can only stick to the official line that visas must be obtained prior to leaving your home country. The lack of consular representation and bureaucratic nonsense often makes this extremely frustrating at best, and impossible at worst. So do contact your nearest Mozambique Consulate and ask them how to get a visa, but note that the official line is that visas are not routinely issued at border posts and airports. In practice, this is not true. For the official line look up this link: <http://www.minec.gov.mz/index>.

This section suggests ways of avoiding the possible pitfalls and frustrations of travelling in a country where distances between places of interest are great, safe public transport is scarce and often unreliable, there is limited acceptance of credit cards by tourist resorts and travellers cheques are almost useless. Outside of Maputo and the main tourist areas, English is not widely spoken and you will have a richer and more fulfilling visit if you learn some Portuguese (the official language) or at least know how to greet in Tsonga, Sena or Macua. Note that the risk of becoming addicted to a remote corner of a national park or a long stretch of secluded beach is high - even if all of the usual precautions are taken.

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### Border / Airport visas (visto de fronteira)

Let me be clear at the outset that what follows applies **ONLY** to obtaining a visa on arrival (border visa) and is by no means authoritative, but reflects what **MOSTLY** (almost always) **HAPPENS** and not what (according to Travel Agencies, armchair "experts" and Mozambique's Consulate's and laws) **SHOULD** take place.

### ARE MOZAMBIQUE VISAS ISSUED AT AIRPORTS AND LAND BORDERS?

Firstly, as a general rule, if you travel on the passport of a country for which Mozambique requires a visa, try to get one before departure. While visas have commonly been issued at airports and **MOST** land borders (Namoto, Negomano, Congresso, Metangula, Entre Lagos and Mecumbura are not equipped to issue visas), **AND THIS IS LEGAL ON PAYMENT OF A 25% SURCHARGE**, this is at best a formality requiring nothing more than handing in your passport and approximately \$80 (R570, MT 1500). No photos or photocopies required, but proof of booking and return ticket can be asked for. At worst it is a nightmare as (very rarely) the officer on duty can randomly refuse to issue a visa - claiming some or other real or imaginary problem! It must be stated that this is rare, but does make the headlines if and when it happens.

So while there is no absolute guarantee that a **visto de fronteira** (border or airport visa) will be issued on arrival, chances are actually excellent that you will receive one,



even if sometimes a bit of patience and negotiation may be required.

So, to summarize, the regulation that border visas may still be issued (even if you have consular representation in your home country) on payment of 25% above the usual fee, seems sometimes to be ignored by border officials. At the more remote land borders, sometimes the official may simply be too lazy to go through the process of issuing a border visa, or may have run out of visa stickers, or the computers may be off-line. So, getting a visa at the border or airport is allowed and regulated by law and is most often a formality, it is subject to the vagaries of human nature.

**There are a number of categories of visa that can be issued, but I will only deal with the most common ones:**

- 1) **Visto de Fronteira** (border visa - usual fee is \$50 to \$80 but can be a lot cheaper if you pay in Mozambican Meticais or Rands, depending on which that border you use). Note that this is a **SINGLE-ENTRY** 30-day visa. Despite what the official Moz govt websites may state, double, or multiple-entry visas are **NOT** issued on arrival. A possible advantage of a border visa, is that it **CAN** be (by law it should be, but you will be at the mercy of whoever attends to you) extended for one more period of 30 days at Migracao offices in provincial capitals and larger towns within Mozambique.

### What does a border visa look like?

I have seen reports of visitors being issued with irregular (illegal) border visas at the Pafuri border post, either due to the official having run out of visa stickers, or due to corrupt practices. So see below for what your border visa should look like.

In order to extend **ALL** double or multiple-entry visas, it is required that you leave Mozambique and re-enter on a further 30-day permit.

If, for example, you have a six-month multiple-entry visa (of whatever type), you will still have to leave the country before the first 30 days is up, and re-enter on a further 30-day entry stamp.

**AT THE BUSIER BORDERS (RESSANO GARCIA, PONTA DO OURO, MACHIPANDA) THERE ARE NOTICES WITH VISA FEES IN METICAIS (MZM), US\$, EURO, POUNDS AND RANDS, BUT IT IS BEST TO HAVE METICAIS OR DOLLARS TO HAND. CHANGE IS IN METICAIS AT A POOR EXCHANGE RATE.**

Whether at one of the airports or land borders, this (Visto de Fronteira) is the **ONLY** type of visa that is issued on arrival in Mozambique. The **LAW** is that the Visto de Fronteira **SHOULD** only be issued to **BONA-FIDE TOURISTS** (business-people and work-seekers are not eligible for a border visa) who have travelled **DIRECTLY** from a country where there is **NO** Mozambique consular representation, i.e. it would be impossible for them to obtain a visa from, for example, where their flight originates. **IN PRACTICE**, border visas **HAVE BEEN** (who knows what the future holds) regularly issued to most arrivals, wherever they come from, **BUT** if the official just happens to suspect that you are entering Moz to seek work, or do business, then you could be **DEPORTED**.

If you require a visa for Mozambique, and intend to apply for one on arrival, **BEWARE** as some airlines and bus companies will not allow you on board unless you can produce a valid visa.

**OTHER THAN THE 30 DAY SINGLE-ENTRY BORDER VISA, ALL OTHER TYPES OF VISA ARE AVAILABLE ONLY VIA CONSULATES OUTSIDE OF MOZAMBIQUE:**

- 2) Visto turístico (tourist visa): fee varies and the initial 30-day period can be extended for two more 30 day periods, **BUT ONLY BY DEPARTING FROM, AND RE-ENTERING MOZAMBIQUE** - can be done at a land border. The period you have to stay out of the country seems to be arbitrary and ranges between immediate re-entry to five days, from border to border
- 3) Visto de negócios (business visa): This can be extended **AT A BORDER** for two further periods of up to 30 days each. If you will be conducting any sort of business during your trip to Mozambique, this is the visa for you.

Note that, if the purpose of your visit is to seek work, or to take up a job, then you will need to be in





possession of a Visto de Trabalho, valid for 30 days, extendable AT A BORDER for a further 30 days.

The official MINISTÉRIO DOS NEGÓCIOS ESTRANGEIROS E COOPERAÇÃO (Mozambican Ministry of Foreign Affairs and cooperation) website link (Portuguese) to visas is: <http://www.minec.gov.mz/index.php/viagens-e-negocios/vistos-de-entrada>

Another useful website (Portuguese) is: [www.consuladodemocambiqueporto.pt/vistos.php](http://www.consuladodemocambiqueporto.pt/vistos.php)

#### Why visit Mozambique?

The more that I have experienced other parts of this peculiar planet, the more I am so relieved to be able to return to Mozambique to once again be surprised and intrigued by the diversity of the landscapes and humbled by the friendliness of the people.

#### When is it best to go?

Although showers are possible throughout the year, the rainy (and hottest) season is from around December to around May and this is also when the risk of malaria may be at its highest.

Beaches are cooled by sea-breezes year-round and beware that the winter months on high ground such as Manica and Niassa provinces can see temperatures drop to the low teens (deg C). Sometimes routes north of Beira and Pemba become impassable during the rains, but most resorts throughout Mozambique are accessible year-round. The whale (and windy) season is usually



around June to September. May-June-July-August winds can be very strong reducing sea activities.

In northern Mozambique (Nampula and Cabo Delgado Provinces), while dirt roads are more difficult and it can be uncomfortably hot and humid for some (only December and January are really hot), the vegetation is lush, the wind is ideal for sailing & diving in the Quirimbas and the storms are magnificent.

#### What advice do you consider to be most important?

By law everyone must always carry some form of official identification such as a passport or identification document (book).

To avoid your precious passport or drivers' license falling prey to pick-pockets or bribe-seeking police, make notarised (at a Mozambican Registos e Notariado) copies of all your documents and then carry these with you instead. You will probably still be asked to produce the originals, but at least these can be kept in a safe place.

Carry spare passport-sized photos - they can be very handy if your passport disappears. Government officials and waiters are notoriously bad at calculating or providing change, so carry enough small notes and coins (in Meticaís) to be able to pay exact amounts.

What is the best way to prevent malaria and what about the side effects of the tablets?

Short of staying out of Mozambique (the entire country is malarious), so you must take a suitable prophylactic. Consult the experts: [https://www.netcare.co.za/live/content.php?Category\\_ID=34](https://www.netcare.co.za/live/content.php?Category_ID=34), cover up dusk to dawn (wear boots - most bites are on the ankles), use repellent and (most importantly) sleep under a net or in a tent with sewn-in groundsheet.

Anti-malaria tablets do sometimes have various side-effects (a side-effect of malaria is death), but each individual is affected differently so take a few doses well before you go to find out what agrees with you best.

As prophylaxis, I use doxycycline (tetracycline), and my 14-year-old son takes Mefliam. Malanil for prevention

and Coartem as a cure are also effective in Mozambique, but always under guidance of a doctor who is accustomed to dealing with malaria.

#### Can I get local currency (Metical / Meticaís) before departure?

The Metical is not a floating / international currency so banks and bureaux de change will not be able to provide Meticaís. The best way to obtain local currency is by using one of the ATM's in Mozambique. There are illegal / informal money changers at the busier border posts such as Lebombo / Ressano Garcia, but the only way they can make a living is by defrauding / scamming you, SO BEWARE!

#### Can I use my credit card? ATM 's? Changing Travellers' Cheques?

VISA credit cards can be used at many of the more upmarket lodges, hotels and restaurants in throughout Mozambique, but best to enquire in advance or when booking. As long as you have had a PIN number loaded on your VISA or MASTERCARD (Cirrus and Maestro) you can get cash at ATM's which are now in almost all towns and service stations. Note that on Fridays and at month end there may be long queues and ATM's may run out of cash. Travelers Cheques are not widely accepted but you may be able to change them at a bank, BUT AT A MINIMUM COMMISSION OF US\$50.

#### What currency is it best to carry?

With the plethora of South African owned lodges and the influx of hundreds of thousands of South African tourists, the rand has just about become the currency of choice in Mozambique south of the Save river. Also in demand is US\$ cash in large denominations (\$60 and below are changed but at half the going rate). Many lodges also

accept Euro and Pounds, but enquire in advance. SA Rands easily exchanged from Beira southwards.

In northern Mozambique (Cabo Delgado and Nampula Provinces), SA Rands are not widely accepted, so either draw all your cash needs in Meticaís from an ATM (best). or carry dollar and Euro in cash (not very safe, but widely accepted).

#### Is it cheap to travel in Mozambique?

Presently the Metical is losing value fast to other major currencies so it has become much more affordable to visit Mozambique. However, the inflation rate is rising too, so don't expect this window of opportunity for a cheaper holiday to last a lot longer. At many resorts the prices are quoted in SA Rand and or US dollars and Mozambique meticaís. Always carry enough meticaís in cash and insist on settling all of your bills in local currency, or you may pay in forex at a very poor exchange rate.

The present (September 2016) exchange rate is Mt5,35 to the SA Rand and Mt75,7 to the US\$ and Mt85 to the Euro. Prices of food (at markets), transport and accommodation

may be lower than in 'developed' countries, but current prices compare quite well with similar products and accommodation in South Africa, for example.

If you are camping, self-catering and/or using public transport, expect to spend (per person) about R600 (US\$40) per day. If staying at self-catering chalets and eating one meal at a restaurant per day, budget on

R800 (US\$60) per day. For fly-in folk, lodges range from US\$100 to \$800 per person per day. If touring in your own car (petrol or gasolina is approx Mt50, diesel or gasóleo is Mt40 per litre)

#### How much time will I need to see some, or all of Mozambique?

In your own (or hired) 4x4 vehicle, about 4 weeks, using public transport, about 6 weeks. Shorter if you leave out







the inland provinces of Manica, Tete and Niassa. You can cover Ponta do Ouro to Inhassoro in your own car, or by using public transport, quite well in 2 weeks.

#### Is Mozambique safe?

If you envisage having unprotected sex, treating local authority with contempt, taking no precautions against malaria, ignoring local advice about the localities of landmines or when bush (free) camping and insisting on driving at night, then Mozambique is a very risky place.

At all times beware of muggers in the bigger cities and petty thieving almost everywhere away from resorts. Note that it is essential to carry a medical evacuation insurance. I use TIC Travel Insurance to cover emergency air evacuation: [www.tic.co.za](http://www.tic.co.za)

South Africa has excellent private hospitals and for example for emergency trauma you can do no better than the Milpark Hospital in Johannesburg tel + 27 11 - 480 5600, [www.netcare.co.za](http://www.netcare.co.za)

#### Can I take a hired (rental) vehicle into Mozambique?

Some Zimbabwe and many South Africa - based companies do allow their vehicles into Mozambique so inquire before booking. In South Africa (Johannesburg) contact Southern Off-road (4x4hire.co.za) Hertz: tel. (011) 390 2066, [www.hertz.co.za](http://www.hertz.co.za), for Safari-equipped 4x4's [www.bushlore.com](http://www.bushlore.com) see also [www.getawaytoafrica.com](http://www.getawaytoafrica.com) and in Zimbabwe (Harare) contact Cameron Harvey Safaris: tel. (04) 86 0978, e-mail: [camhar@africaonline.co.zw](mailto:camhar@africaonline.co.zw) or Elite: tel. (04) 73 8326, fax (01) 72 0414. Note that an "Across - border" fee of about \$100 - \$200 may apply and if you need the vehicle delivered from South Africa or Zimbabwe to an airport in Mozambique (and collected) a hefty ferry-fee will be charged.

#### Do I need a 'Carnet de Passage' for my vehicle?

No, but you will need the original vehicle registration papers

(notarised or copies certified by a Commissioner of Oaths usually acceptable) and a letter of authorization from the registered owner and bank (with driver's name and travel dates) if the vehicle is financed.

All land borders issue a Temporary Import Permit (TIP) at no charge. Third Party (MVA) insurance is compulsory and is sold at MOST land borders (Pafuri, Entre Lagos, Vila Nova and Rovuma are exceptions) or can be purchased in advance at AA and Outdoor Warehouse, Sasol Service station near the border and online at <https://www.hollsure.co.za/Page/About>.

Have your documents ready to hand as you may be asked for these by the white-shirted transit police. For comprehensive cross-border vehicle insurance look up: <http://www.ccic.co.za/ultimate-overview/>

#### Do I need an International Driver's License?

No. South African and most other country's driver's licenses are accepted. The (unofficial) guideline is that your license should have the Portuguese "carta de condução" written on it. The official regulation is that your license must be valid and current in your own country. It is however very useful to carry an International License.

#### What should I do if my car breaks down?

If you have a cell phone (and reception) phone the nearest lodge (I assuming that you have a guidebook such as Globetrotter Guide to Mozambique or do a search using the internet).

If alone with no phone (it is advisable to travel together with other vehicles) take all valuables and immediately hitch or catch public transport to the nearest tourist facility and arrange a tow back. Once occupants and vehicle are safe, see if essential repairs can be done locally, but ask locally first for a reliable mechanic.

Contact your insurance company to arrange for your vehicle to be repatriated to South Africa, or other country. A very reliable and experienced independent mechanic and vehicle repatriation person is Henri Gouws, tel Mozambique +258 82 657 0169 or South Africa + 27 73 819 7735.

#### What inoculations are required or advisable?

ONLY If coming from an infected area (see: [www.cdc.gov/yellowfever/maps](http://www.cdc.gov/yellowfever/maps)) a Yellow-Fever Inoculation certificate is required. If you are likely to come into close contact with the local population for long periods, then Hepatitis A, Typhoid, T.B, Meningitis, Polio, Rabies and Tetanus shots could be advisable - ask your doctor.

#### Isn't Mozambique full of landmines?

At the start of 2016 Mozambique was declared to be land-mine free, however do not wander off well-used routes or into the bush on the roadside. Always rely on local advice (take along a local guide when walking or driving 'off the beaten track').

#### Is it safe for a lone female traveller?

A large proportion of travellers using public transport are other local women who will take you under their wing. Mozambican men can be fairly chauvinistic so if you do not have male company expect some stares at restaurants and unwelcome (perhaps) approaches at bars and nightclubs.

#### Can I use my mobile (cell) phone?

The GSM900 network now covers much of Mozambique including most stretches of the main arterial roads. MTN and Vodacom (South Africa) have a roaming agreement between South Africa and Mozambique, as well as with many other countries, so contact your service provider for advice.

If you don't have international roaming buy an mCel or Vodacom Mozambique starter-pack (pacote inicial) which is sold almost everywhere, even at the most basic of roadside stalls (barracas). For advice on how to register your Mozambique SIM card and for coverage maps see [www.mcel.co.mz](http://www.mcel.co.mz) Vodacom also operate in Mozambique, see [www.vom.co.mz](http://www.vom.co.mz) for their coverage maps. Another popular network, particularly in rural areas is Movitel: [movitel.co.mz](http://movitel.co.mz)

Note that "word on the street" is that Vodacom is currently the most reliable network for voice and data, but that this can vary from day to day and place to place. My own experience is that Movitel may have a more reliable connection in the more remote rural areas.

#### Where can I get access to the Internet?

Many lodges and restaurants now offer Wi-Fi to their customers and guests. Data links can be slow and unreliable but all 3 cell phone networks offer data packages.

#### Should I pack a tent?

In southern African countries there is a long-standing and quite sophisticated culture of camping and backpacking and this is very well catered to in most areas of Mozambique. Accommodation is cheaper when camping, but check that the resort has proper ablution and cleaning facilities. You will need to be self-sufficient for preparing and eating food including tables and chairs.

The inner section of most hiking and nylon camping tents makes the most effective mosquito net and - as Mozambique is a beach destination - camping is a good, cheaper (and sometimes only) option. Away from

the tourist areas where there is no campsite or other official accommodation, ask for the local regulo, chefe or Nfumo, and indicate that you would like to camp - the community will look after you. Bush camping along the coast is illegal and can be quite risky so best to take advantage of the security, comfort and facilities of a proper campsite or lodge.

#### Is fuel readily available and what does it cost?

Diesel (gasoléo) and petrol (gasolina) are readily available in the provincial capitals as well as along the main routes. In remote areas diesel is far easier to find than petrol. Where there are no service stations, try at the roadside barracas (stalls) or at the 'mercado' (market) and/or speak to the transport and bus drivers. Fuel is cheapest in Maputo, Beira, Quelimane and Nacala and increases in price with distance from these ports. Diesel





costs Mt40 (ZAR13, US\$0.95), petrol Mt50 (ZAR15, US\$1) per litre.

Once in Mozambique can my visa or visitor's permit (for those not on a visa) be extended?

NOTE THAT ONLY THE 30 DAY SINGLE ENTRY VISAS CAN BE EXTENDED IN MOZAMBIQUE. Tourists can spend up to 90 days per year in the country, but you will have to have your 30-day visa extended at an Imigração office in a provincial capital and many large towns. BUSINESS AND DOUBLE OR MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS CAN ONLY BE EXTENDED BY EXITING AND RE-ENTERING MOZAMBIQUE.

Is the water safe to drink?

Municipal tap water should be avoided so drink bottled or boiled and filtered water in cities and towns. Most tourist lodges and campsites pump water from boreholes and this should be fine but ask the management first.

What should be in my first aid kit?

Anti-malaria prophylaxis is essential so consult with a doctor or travel clinic experience in dealing with tropical diseases. Treatment should be via a local clinic – they are very experienced at treating malaria, or at a hospital when home if no longer than 24hrs from first symptoms. Apart from your anti-malaria tablets, pack mosquito repellent, antihistamine cream, antibiotic cream and tablets, diarrhoea pills, de-worming pills (vermox), fungal cream, baby powder, plasters, scissors, eye-bath

(and sterile water), tweezers and a clinical thermometer (to be used whenever you feel down, as fever may be your first sign of malaria). If heading for very remote areas where outside assistance will not be available or accessible, take along a comprehensive medical kit such as that supplied by <http://www.medicalman.co.za/>.

What should I take home as souvenirs?

While parts of Mozambique are still the best spots in the world to buy prawns and fresh line-fish, permits are need to transport these and a very limited shelf life (2-3 hours) makes old prawns good for nothing but attracting flies. Cashew nuts are a better bet if you need to nibble to sustain you during a long bus journey or as a present to impress your family and friends with. Although available throughout Mozambique, best value for money is obtainable at the cashew-processing factory at Monapo between Nampula and Ilha de Moçambique.

In the more popular tourist areas such as Ponta do Ouro, Maputo, Macaneta, Bilene, Inhambane, Tofo, Vilanculos and Pemba, local craftsmen make beautiful crafts and batiks and sell these at the roadside or at markets.

Arts and crafts have certainly attracted increasing attention in Mozambique since the return of tourists to this country in 1993. Coming to Mozambique and leaving without a colourful capulana, a Makonde statuette or a Malangatana painting (if you can afford it) would be like

visiting Italy and not eating pasta. Although the Makonde group originates from a very limited area straddling the Rovuma River in Cabo Delgado province and Tanzania, Makonde co-operatives have been set up in Maputo, Beira, Nampula, Pemba and Mueda (the Makonde 'capital'). Prices depend on the fame of the artist, the quality and size of the piece of wood used and the degrees of intricacy inherent in the sculpture.

Mozambican painters are producing works that are presently highly coveted by some of the world's art collectors. Although brightly coloured romanticised depictions of local scenery are enthusiastically produced by amateur artists even in the most unlikely corners of the country, watch out for names like Malangatana, Fatima (at Pemba or on Wimbe Beach), the Fundação Chissano Gallery at Matola near Maputo, Jorge Almeida and Luis Souto at the Co-operativa Alpha in Maputo, Conde and Paulo Soares at the Museu Nacional de Arte, Maputo.

Beautifully woven baskets, bags, hats and furniture are sold on many of the main national routes, in the parts of towns most frequented by visitors (e.g. next to the Café Continental and close to the Hotel Polana on Av. Julius Nyerere in Maputo) and at the mercados – Inhambane has excellent woven reed products.

Silver jewellery is crafted by traditional smiths on Ilha de Moçambique in the crowded bairros) and Ilha de

Ilho (in the fortress and in a house near the main market [mercado]). The genuine article (much is in fact made from nickel and tin) is made from melted-down old Portuguese coins.

Public Holidays

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|---------------|---|
| 1 JANUARY:    | New Year's Day  |
| 3 FEBRUARY:   | Heroes' Day (death of the first Mozambican president, Eduardo Mondlane)                 |
| 7 APRIL:      | Women's Day (the date Josina Machel died)   |
| 1 MAY:        | Workers' Day  |
| 25 JUNE:      | Independence Day  |
| 7 SEPTEMBER:  | Victory Day (the date of the Lusaka Accord, when the Portuguese agreed to independence) |
| 25 SEPTEMBER: | Armed Forces Day  |
| 19 OCTOBER:   | Samora Machel Day   |
| 10 NOVEMBER:  | Maputo Day (in Maputo only)   |
| 25 DECEMBER:  | Family Day (Christmas Day)  |

Easter and Boxing Day (26 December) are at present not official public holidays, but this may be changed. Islamic holidays, although not officially recognised, are observed by Muslim communities (who make up the bulk of the retail sector, so many stores may be closed).





## Maputo/Catembe Bridge

### 6 Fast Facts

1. The Maputo-Catembe bridge will be the largest suspension bridge in Africa, and is designed as a twin tower suspension bridge with gravity anchorage.
2. The north approach bridge is 1 097m in length, while the south approach bridge is 1 234m long.
3. The main span of the bridge is 680m and the bridge is 3 011m in overall length.
4. The elevation of the top tower is 141.2m and the navigational clearance is 60m.
5. Using the structural design of a steel box beam, the bridge will have four car lanes, two in each direction, and traffic will be limited to 80km/h.
6. The bridge is part of a project to build a road between Maputo and Ponta do Ouro over a distance of 109km.



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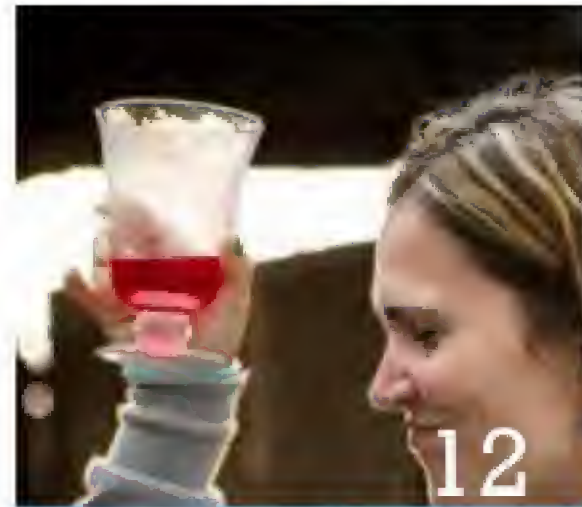
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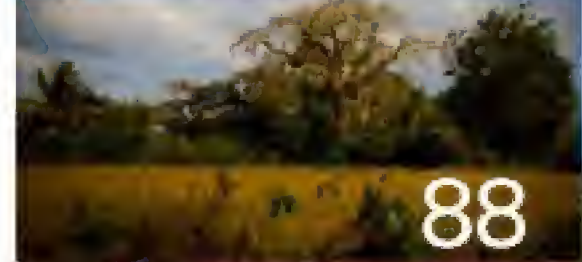
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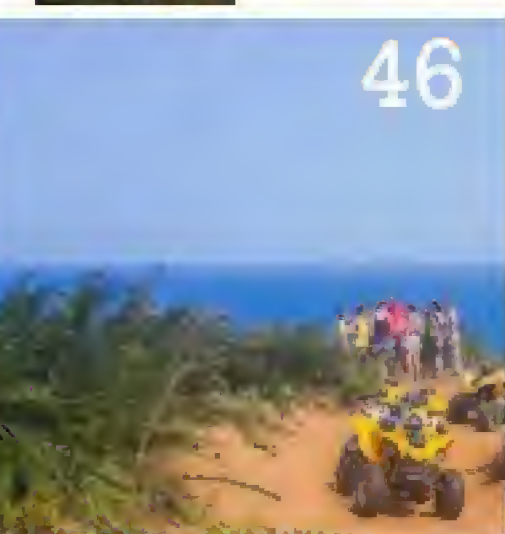
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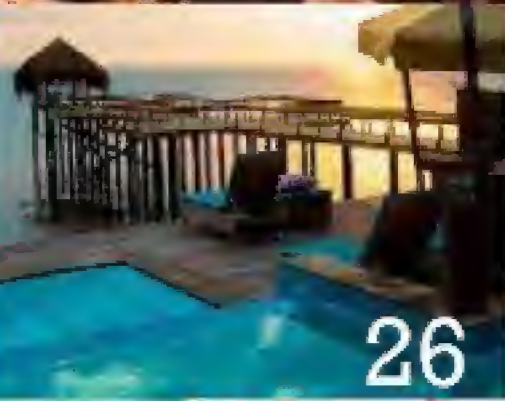
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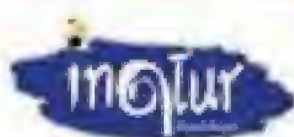
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It gives me great pleasure to bring you our first annual Mozambique Destination and Info Guide. We have listened to the market and many first timers want information before they embark on their first MOZambique trip. So we decided to change a few things in our magazine format and include a section which deals with many issues which perhaps have made people nervous to travel to this beautiful country before.

Fortunately we work closely with the Moz Guru, Michael John Slater who has put together an excellent Q&A guide to help first timers. We also bring you an

array of lodge reviews from Vilanculos to Massinga to Xai Xai. We hope you like the new format and trust this book becomes a 'must keep' on your bookshelves at home. I would like to finish off with a big congratulations to the Facebook groups 'DriveMoz', 'Moz Forum' and 'Mozambique is Lekker' who have made it easier for people to ask questions before they travel and share experiences of their travels to the land of smiles. Please visit these pages before you travel.

Go well.

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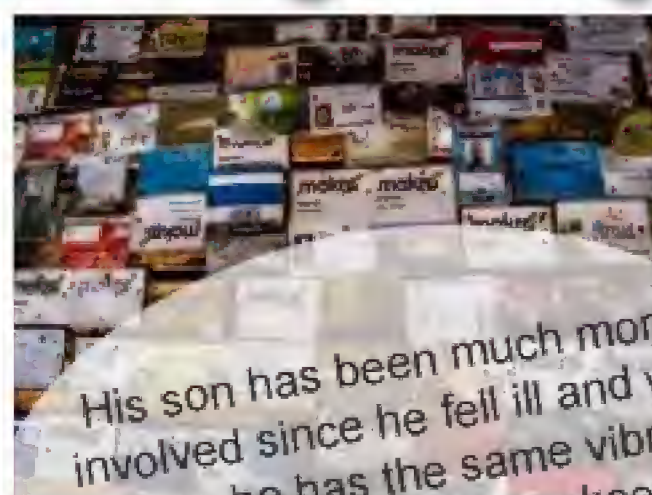
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May his happy soul rest in peace!!!! Always such an amazing part of a holiday, especially to see his unconditional smile :)  
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## A TRIBUTE TO Fernando



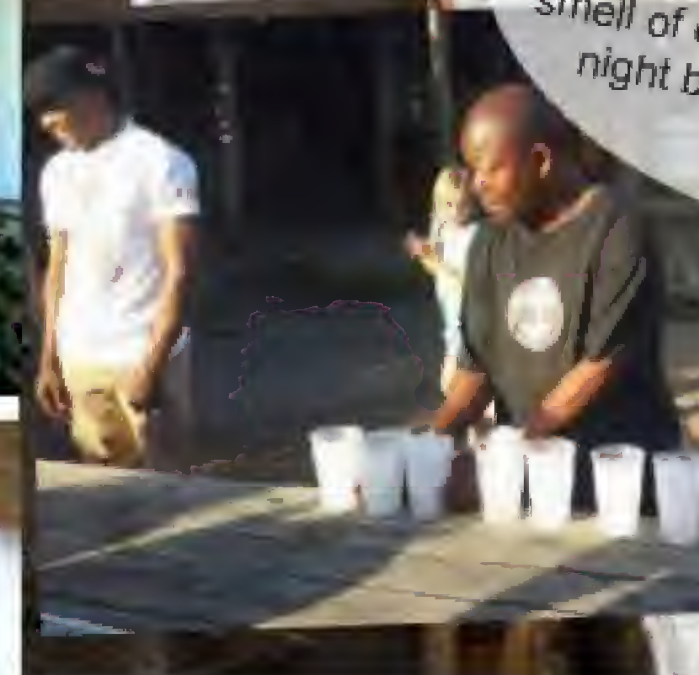
His son has been much more involved since he fell ill and we believe he has the same vibrant friendly personality to keep Fernando's being the legendary place it is. - Kenny Matthews



Its our annual family trip and over the years we have seen Fernando's grow. Fernando's was always our first stop upon arrival. - Denae Smith



A hell of a lot of Memories and sometimes loss of memories were had at Fernando's bar!! Always welcomed with a smiling face and the smell of one hell bender from the night before! - Grant Truter



### A tribute to Fernando

As anyone who knew him knows, Fernando was probably one of the most well-known barmen of Ponta do Ouro. Stories of his ever friendly personality and the best R+R's in town always arise at some point around every bonfire, with everyone having some sort of happy memory spent at Fernando's Bar. He was always the life of Ponta and the first and last stop for anyone and everyone traveling in and out of this bustling little town. Even those who were not close, felt like they knew him as he always made everyone feel welcome in the heart of Ponta! You are already sorely missed Fernando...Thank you for all the great memories that you made for everyone.





I wonder if Fernando had any idea how much he touched people's lives! A fond memory I will cherish forever. :) Fernando will be forever in my heart as a kind soul who expected nothing yet gave so much. - Sharon Fowler



We've been going to Ponta Do Ouro for the last 14 years. Fernando also came to my wedding. Always very welcoming and amazing times with him and his sons. - Paul de Oliveira



Our first stop was at Fernando's. He welcomed us with his big friendly smile as if he knew us. We enjoyed his company and had the time of our lives singing and dancing. We were lucky to have seen Fernando for the last time in December 2015.



Fernando was such a humble, humble man, we met him for the 1st time in May 2014 and boy O boy those legendary R&R's was all we talked about for a year to our friends in Gauteng until our next visit last year May 2015. We all had such a huge giggle as Gregg who is only 22 and hardly ever drink decided that he will join us at Fernando's and ooooo he was just so funny. - Tania de Villiers





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